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**Ilana Hanau Appointed to the Professional Liability Defense Federation Board**

**BOSTON, Sept. 24, 2026 -** Ilana Hanau, with Zelms Erlich Lenkov, Brooklyn, New York, was appointed to the Professional Liability Defense Federation (PLDF) board of directors at the organization's annual meeting Sept. 24 in Boston. PLDF board directors serve three-year terms.

Hanau focuses her practice on professional liability, employment litigation, errors and omissions, architects and engineers liability, directors and officers liability, insurance coverage, cyber risks, general liability, first-party property and construction matters.

She has defended attorneys, accountants, title agents and brokers, real estate agents and brokers, insurance agents and brokers, appraisers, chiropractors and other professionals and consultants. Her experience includes defending trucking and transportation companies, property preservation companies, condominium and cooperative boards, property management companies and landlords. She also has a niche equine and veterinarian practice.

Hanau previously served as a claims manager for a boutique property and casualty insurance agency and as vice president and claims advocate for a global insurance organization operating in approximately 80 countries and jurisdictions. She also has worked as a claims professional for several insurance companies.

*About the Professional Liability Defense Federation*
The Professional Liability Defense Federation is a national organization of defense lawyers, in-house counsel, and insurance industry professionals. Founded in 2009, the mission of PLDF is to enhance the stature and effectiveness of professional liability defense professionals through education, training, and the exchange of information.

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