

How to Defend Rule 30(b)(6) Product Liability Depositions Successfully

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Federal Rule 30(b)(6) requires a corporation to designate a witness in response to a deposition notice that describes with "reasonable particularity" the topics upon which the witness will testify. Rule 30(b)(6) depositions are important events in product liability cases. The uncertainty of whether the correct corporate witness has been selected, the witness has been sufficiently prepared, and the conduct of the deposition itself can lead to sleepless nights. A successful Rule 30(b)(6) deposition — meaning, the case has not been torpedoed — starts with preparation — yours and the witness'.