

## Defective Firearms

Close to 500 people are killed in the United States each year due to the unintended discharge of defective firearms. In some of those cases, the incidents were the result of a faulty or defective firearm. Among some of the more commonly reported problems with guns that may be the result of product defects include trigger safety failure, overly sensitive triggers, design flaws, barrel failures, and inaccurate chamber indicators.

Bailey Glasser is a leader in defective firearm litigation, including successfully suing many major gun manufacturers. David Selby II, Bailey Glasser's Defective Firearm Practice Group Leader, has litigated dozens of these cases over his career involving defective design and defects, and is the national Chair of the American Association for Justice's Firearms Litigation Group.

Litigating firearm defect cases requires extraordinary resources and highly sophisticated knowledge, including an understanding and mastery of varied and complex subject matter and theories of liability and damages, the time necessary to review and process thousands of case documents, and the ability to work with many witnesses and experts. Bailey Glasser has the skill, tenacity, and technological sophistication to handle the most complicated firearm action.

In one notable case, *Carter v. Taurus International Mfg.*, David Selby led the plaintiffs' class action team that settled what *International Business Times* called a "landmark legal concession" from gun manufacture Taurus International, in which Taurus agreed to repair or replace defective firearms as part of a class-action settlement valued at up to \$239 million; the terms of the settlement included a buyback or replacement of almost one million pistols. Selby helped negotiate this settlement with Taurus over alleged defects in pistols that allowed them to fire when dropped.

### Experience

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