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**Jonathan Kline is Counsel in the Litigation Practice of Smith,  
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Mr. Kline practices general commercial litigation, devoting a substantial portion of his practice to representing insurers, reinsurers, insurance brokers, and life settlement providers in connection with business disputes. He also represents insurance industry clients in transactional and regulatory matters.

In arbitrations and litigation, Mr. Kline has represented insurers in actions against agents, a captive insurer in disputes over indemnity and security, and a London-based insurance broker in business tort litigation involving its placement of insurance to support film finance. He represents reinsurers and cedents in reinsurance disputes, and represents insurers in insurance coverage litigation. Mr. Kline represents parties in litigation involving life settlement transactions. He has also represented brokers with respect to enforcement proceedings brought by state insurance regulators. Mr. Kline also has experience in estate fiduciary litigation, in real estate disputes, and in business disputes.

Mr. Kline has also represented insurance holding companies in forming and acquiring insurance companies. He also represents insurers and reinsurers in alternative risk transfer arrangements and in drafting agreements with agents, brokers, third party administrators and other vendors. In addition, Mr. Kline represents lenders, brokers and providers in transactions involving the life settlements. Mr. Kline has drafted reinsurance contracts, insurance policies, administration agreements, general agency agreements and third party administration agreements.

Mr. Kline has prepared insurance licensing applications, applications for acquisition of control, holding company act filings, form filings, and requests for opinions of insurance department counsel, and he has interacted with state insurance departments concerning those filings. Mr. Kline advises brokers and agents on obtaining and maintaining applications for insurance licenses. Mr. Kline has performed internal audits for insurers faced with potential enforcement proceedings.

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Mr. Kline is a member of the Connecticut State Bar, the New York State Bar, the New York City Bar Association and ARIAS. He served on the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Bar Association Young Lawyers Section from 1995 to 1997, where he co-chaired the Committee on Ethics and Professional Conduct and the Federal Practice Committee.

Mr. Kline received his A.B. degree in History from Brown University in 1989 and earned his J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law in 1994. While at the University of Connecticut School of Law, Mr. Kline was an Executive Editor of the *Connecticut Journal of International Law* and received the J. Rene Frechette Research Fellowship.

