

Adam Moskowitz Leaves Kozyak Tropin After 25 Years to Launch New Class Action Firm

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Plaintiffs attorney Adam Moskowitz has left Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton after 25 years to start his own firm representing clients in the kind of class action and commercial matters that made him well-known nationwide as a member of the plaintiffs bar.

Moskowitz, formerly the chair of Kozyak Tropin's class action practice and onetime managing partner, opened The Moskowitz Law firm at the beginning of January with longtime co-counsel Howard Bushman, formerly of Harke, Clasby & Bushman. The two met years ago while working on forced placed insurance cases.

Moskowitz has settled more than 30 nationwide class action cases against banks and insurers relating to high-priced insurance forced on homeowners by their mortgage companies. The settlements have recovered more than \$5.9 billion in relief for more than 5 million homeowners, he said. Some homeowners have gotten back as much as \$10,000 from insurance companies, Moskowitz said.

This week, a judge approved three additional settlements involving additional mortgage servicers and insurers benefiting thousands of homeowners nationwide and providing millions of dollars in relief.

In addition to working on new matters that come up relating to the forced insurance cases and other investigations of cases, the new Coral Gables firm is serving as lead or co-lead counsel on five additional federal class actions, including a certified nationwide class action against Transamerica Life Insurance in Los Angeles, and in the Fieldturf MDL litigation in the District of New Jersey alongside Chris Seeger.

Moskowitz has previously as co-lead counsel in many other successful national consumer class actions, including one the nation's largest, which was resolved with American Express regarding foreign currency conversion charges.

Moskowitz said he is going through stacks of resumes as his new firm prepares to expand quickly.

"I can only handle so many cases," Moskowitz said. "I want to handle just a handful of the best nationwide cases. This is a real passion of mine."

Moskowitz said he could not have branched out on his own 10 years ago. But marriage, children, the success of the settlements and quitting all drinking have transformed his life.

He also said he is grateful for his years at Kozvak Tropin and his friendship with Harley Tropin.

In addition, Moskowitz said timing has never been more critical for an endeavor of this nature, particularly as federal legislation continues to take aim at consumer access through the courts.

“I’m ready to take on anything. I’m confident.” Moskowitz said.

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