



2023 Diversity for Success Seminar

June 13–16, 2023 | Sheraton Le Méridien Charlotte | Charlotte, NC

Diversity Expo Law Firm Interview Application

FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Baker, Donelson, Bearman,

Address: 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3600

City, State, Zip: New Orleans, LA 70130

Phone: 504.335.7753 Fax: 504.636.4000 Email: kbdavis@bakerdonelson.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

At Baker Donelson, we strive to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all our employees. We welcome people of all races, genders, ages, languages, ethnicities, cultural backgrounds, disabilities, sexual orientations and religious beliefs to assist our clients in achieving their legal goals.

We understand and salute the unique perspectives and approaches that are provided by differences in educational background, socio-economic background, personality profile, geographic location, job duties, marital and family status.

Our goal is to create an atmosphere at our Firm that honors the diverse quality in each of our employees. Meeting once a month, the Committee is charged with overseeing and implementing the Firm's diversity initiatives. At the beginning of the Firm's diversity initiative, in 2002, we had seven minority attorneys. We outlined a goal of increasing our minority attorney population by 100 percent in two years, and we met it. Today, we have nearly 50 minority attorneys and more than 250 women attorneys, and continue to strive to attract and retain diverse talent. Baker Donelson's COO and president is a woman, and female attorneys currently serve as chair of eight of our 17 practice groups, and serve as four of our 17 managing shareholders. Four female and one minority shareholder serve on the board of directors, and numerous committees are chaired by minority and female lawyers.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

, GA , FL , AL
, TN , DC , MD
, TX , MS , NC

FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Law
- Insurance Law
- Product Liability
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law and Toxic Torts
- Intellectual Property
- Professional Liability
- Drug and Medical Device
- Health Care
- Premises Liability
- Transportation Litigation
- Other: _____

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ATTORNEYS

Maximum of three (3) attorneys per firm may interview

Attorney #1

Name: Kennard Davis

Email kbdavis@bakerdonelson.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Kennard Davis is an associate in Baker Donelson’s New Orleans office and assists clients in a wide variety of litigation matters, including commercial litigation, environmental and energy law, and arbitration. Prior to joining Baker Donelson, Kennard served as a law clerk for Judge Kern Reese in Division “L” of the Orleans Parish Civil District Court and as an extern for Senior Judge Ivan L. R. Lemelle of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Attorney #2

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

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Attorney #3

Name: _____

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)



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Firm Name: Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP

Address: 1819 5th Avenue South One Federal Place

City, State, Zip: Birmingham, AL 35203

Phone: 2055218595 Fax: 2054886595 Email: ghoward@bradley.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Diversity & Inclusion are part of Bradley's Core Values identified in our Strategic Plan. To further our goals, our Board appointed a Diversity Task Force to examine ways Bradley could become more inclusive. As a result of the work of the Task Force and our Inclusion & Diversity Committee, we have implemented actions to further promote inclusiveness. We hired our first full-time Director of Inclusion and Diversity. In addition to maintaining our robust WINN initiative for women attorneys, we also launched Employee Resource Groups/Affinity Groups for Attorneys of Color, LGBTQ+ Attorneys, and Veterans. We continue to expand our recruiting of marginalized communities by recruiting at HBCUs and career fairs for law students from traditionally underrepresented groups, such as LGBTQ+ Bar's Career Fair. We requested ranking in the Human Rights Campaign's Corporate Equality Index and are actively working toward Mansfield Certification. These are a few of the steps Bradley is taking to promote inclusion and diversity in all of our offices. We continue to evolve and to strive to make our Firm a place for all people to know that they belong and that they can bring their whole authentic selves to work.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

<u>Charlotte, NC</u>	<u>Nashville, TN</u>	<u>Washington, DC</u>
<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>Houston, TX</u>	<u>Jackson, MS</u>
<u>Tampa, FL</u>	<u>Dallas, TX</u>	<u>Huntsville, AL</u>

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- Health Care
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- Transportation Litigation

Other: Financial Servs; Class Actions; Appeals; Life Sciences; Bankruptcy; Securities; Economic Devtpt; Insurance Litigation; Energy; Food/Beverage/Hospitality; Gvt Contracts; IP

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<u>Bayer Corporation</u>	<u>Pfizer</u>	<u>Cooper Tire & Rubber</u>
<u>CVS Pharmacy</u>	<u>3M</u>	<u>Lowe's Home Centers</u>
<u>Coca Cola Bottling Company</u>	<u></u>	<u>Priceline.com</u>

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Attorney #1

Name: Gary Howard

Email: ghoward@bradley.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Gary has served as national and regional counsel and is licensed in 9 states and the District of Columbia. He has litigated matters ranging from class actions and MDLs to interpleaders, across the country. He has worked on a wide range of cases, including products liability, life sciences, policyholder coverage, business lost profits, breach of contract/fiduciary duty, patent, ERISA, and LHD insurance. He also provides regulatory advice. Gary is the founding and current Chair of Bradley's LGBTQ+ Resource Group. He is Vice-Chair of DRI's Diversity & Inclusion Committee, a member of Bradley's Inclusion & Diversity Committee, and a member of the LGBTQ+ National Bar Association.

Attorney #2

Name: Dana Lumsden

Email: dlumsden@bradley.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Dana's practice focuses on business litigation in manufacturing, financial services, healthcare, and complex commercial matters. He handles cases with a high probability of going to trial and his trials encompass product liability, contract, corporate governance/shareholder rights, federal securities, unfair trade practice/trade secret, IP, restrictive covenants, and antitrust. He has tried cases in jurisdictions throughout the country and is admitted to the NY, NC, and MA state courts, the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, and various U.S. District Courts. Dana devotes his time to the advancement of the legal profession and to improving the community, including leadership on committees of various organizations.

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Attorney #3

Name: Rachel LaBruyere

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Rachel represents clients in litigation matters, including contract disputes, trade secrets, defamation, and franchises. She assists mortgage lenders/servicers against consumer claims and disputes. She is a Certified Privacy Professional, working on digital advertising, e-commerce, SaaS products, and mobile applications. She drafts privacy policies, terms of service, data license agreements, consumer-facing privacy notices, vendor contracts for SaaS products, software subscriptions, applications, and professional services with a particular eye toward data privacy. She works to promote DEI and is dedicated to pro bono work. She is a member of the Mecklenburg County Bar Association's DEI Committee; NC Bar Association's Data Privacy Division; and Bradley's LGBTQ+ Resource Group.



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Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Burr & Forman is committed to promoting and cultivating a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion. The firm realizes this culture, in part, by embracing and valuing all the characteristics that make employees unique, including differences in age, color, disability, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, language, national origin, physical and mental ability, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, or veteran status. At Burr & Forman, we welcome varying perspectives and experiences, and we recognize diversity as a strength. Our goal is to achieve inclusive, diverse and equitable outcomes in recruitment, retention, development, promotion, and compensation. Leading these efforts are the firm's Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer, who reports directly to the Executive Committee, and its DEI Committee, which is comprised of partners, attorneys, and staff from across the firm's geographic footprint. Together, they work to ensure that diversity, equity, and inclusion permeate the firm's policies and practices. Resulting initiatives include:

- Firm-wide unconscious bias training for attorneys and staff
- Sponsorship of and participation in diverse bar associations
- Participation in job fairs and campus recruitment efforts targeting diverse talent
- Paid parental leave for all attorneys
- A formal, written flex-time policy applicable to all attorneys, including partners
- Educational programming in conjunction with annual observances of cultural traditions and heritage months
- Firm-sponsored affinity groups that provide resources to and promote the interests of attorneys from various backgrounds that are traditionally underrepresented in the law, including women, persons of color, and LGBTQ individuals.

In addition, the Firm values diversity at every level, including in its leadership. We note that 37% of our Office Managing Partners self-identify as diverse (women, people of color, disabled, LGBTQ or veterans), as do 30% of our Practice Group leaders and 25% of our Firm Committee Leaders. We continue to increase the gender diversity of the firm, and as a result, a majority (53%) of our associates are women, 21% of our partners are women, and 30% of all attorneys at the firm are women. We also continue to improve our racial diversity, with 19% of our associates self-identifying as people of color. Increasing diversity will continue to be a focus of the firm.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Birmingham

Atlanta, GA

Bluffton

Wilmington, DE

Jackson, MS

Nashville, TN

Ft. Lauderdale

Charlotte

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | | |

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>AIG</u>	<u>Liberty Mutual Insurance</u>	<u>Auto Owners Insurance</u>
<u>Mercedes-Benz US Intl</u>	<u>Whirlpool</u>	<u>Exxon Mobil Corp</u>
<u>Capital One</u>	<u>Mobile Aerospace</u>	<u>Wells Fargo Bank NA</u>

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1	Name: <u>Ricardo A. Woods</u>
	Email: <u>rwoods@burr.com</u>
	Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less) <u>Ricardo practices in Burr & Forman's Tort Insurance and Product Liability section with an emphasis on defending cases in plaintiff oriented arenas and high exposure jurisdictions. In November of 2013, Ricardo was appointed as the City Attorney/General Counsel for the City of Mobile. As the City Attorney he supervises the internal legal department, nine outside law firms on litigation, bond work and government relations all while keeping costs to an amount less than 1% of the City's budget. Ricardo is a creative problem solver who consistently seeks to add value to his client's business. He is an experienced trial lawyer and licensed in both Alabama and Mississippi. Mr. Woods has been particularly successful in cases associated with Alabama's wrongful death statute which is purely punitive. He has served as a member of the faculty for several DRI seminars including Toxic Tort & Environmental Law Section and the Product Liability Section.</u>

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Attorney #2

Name: Elizabeth B. Davis

Email: bdavis@burr.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Beth Davis focuses her environmental practice on the nuances of regulatory compliance and permitting and the environmental aspects of corporate and real estate transactions, enforcement defense, and litigation. In an effort to minimize risk, she works as an extension of her client's business, understanding each party's needs and moving everyone forward. Empathetic and accommodating, Beth is able to achieve dispute resolution while artfully navigating the complexity of EPA, FDA, and CPSC compliance, occupational safety, zoning, and land use issues. Beth has extensive experience in counseling and litigation in all aspects of federal and state laws related to hazardous substances, hazardous waste, underground storage tanks, water, air, pesticides, and endangered species. Beth mitigates risk for developers and builders and litigates citizen suits in these areas.

Attorney #3

Name: Christine Burns-Brown

Email: cburns@burr.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Christine is a partner in the Mobile office where she practices in the firm's Tort Trial, Insurance and Product Section (TIPS): Risk Mitigation and Complex Litigation Practice. Christine has a wide range of litigation experience, primarily defending corporate and municipal clients in personal injury, product liability, commercial, construction, and health care disputes. She also represents creditors in bankruptcy proceedings, foreclosure sales, and receiverships.



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Firm Name: Conroy Simberg, PA

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City, State, Zip: Orlando, FL 32712

Phone: 407-649-9797 Fax: _____ Email: alockhart@conroysimberg.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Conroy Simberg has an established commitment to diversity on all levels. The Firm has an established diversity committee to promote diversity goals, values and inclusion in all firm activities.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Hollywood, FL West Palm Beach, FL Tallahassee, FL

Thomasville, GA Fort Myers, FL Pensacola, FL

Tampa, FL Miami, FL Jacksonville, FL

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Other: _____

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Liberty Mutual The Hartford Auto Owners

State Farm Burlington Skanska

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Attorney #1

Name: Atheseus R. Lockhart

Email alockhart@conroysimberg.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Mr. Lockhart is a 2003 Graduate of The Florida State University College of Law. He has practiced in the civil arena for 20 years representing clients in construction, auto, premises liability, wrongful death and professional responsibility cases. He has briefed cases and argued before the Florida 5th District Court of Appeal with one of his appeals resulting in a statutory change to Florida's Statute of Repose.

Attorney #2

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)



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Firm Name: Dinsmore & Shohl LLP

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Phone: (304) 225-1430

Fax: 304-296-6116

Email: jill.rice@dinsmore.com

Please mark if your firm is:

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Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Dinsmore has long been committed to integrating diverse perspectives and backgrounds which enrich our culture and better service our clients. We continually refine established programs when they have produced results and we are constantly considering new initiatives.

Through our diversity scholarship program, we continue partnerships with leading clients including The Procter & Gamble Company, Lockheed Martin, Yum! Brands, Valvoline Inc. and most recently Humana Inc. to offer scholarships to diverse attorneys and opportunities to obtain legal experience as summer associates/interns. Recipients have the opportunity to spend time both as a salaried Dinsmore summer associate and with the general counsel's office at our clients' corporate headquarters. Now in its 12th year, over 90% of participating scholars have received offers from Dinsmore or client partner through our program.

Recruiting diverse attorneys is only the first step in our mission; helping to develop those attorneys and providing opportunities for them to build their legal expertise and client relationships is vital to truly creating an inclusive culture within the firm. We have continued to refine our internal Career Advancement Program (CAP) 2.0. The program enables diverse attorneys to be paired with mentors in the firm who can guide their career development and ensure they receive opportunities to work with top clients and on significant matters. These mentors consist of members of the Board, office managing partners and attorneys in strong positions of leadership where their sponsorship matters.

We currently have the most diverse Board of Directors in Dinsmore's history to date: 52% of Dinsmore's Board of Directors are female and/or diverse. Additionally, since 2020 approximately 70% of our fall associates were diverse and/or female, and our 2022 summer associate class was 73% diverse and/or female.

Among 2022 highlights, the firm earned Mansfield Rule 5.0 Certification. In order to achieve this certification, firms were required to consider at least 30% women, lawyers of color, LGBTQ+ lawyers and lawyers with disabilities for leadership roles. Going forward, the firm has committed to Mansfield Rule 6.0. Additionally, we proudly announced that Dinsmore was recognized by The Leadership Council on Legal Diversity and received both their Top Performer Award and Compass Award for our commitment to improving diversity throughout the industry.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Cincinnati

Bloomington

Tampa, FL

Lexington

Chicago, IL

Los Angeles

Huntington

Boston, MA

Washington, D.C., DC

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- Other: Corporate Tax
State and Local Tax
Labor Law
Commercial Finance & Banking
Bankruptcy & Restructuring
Compensation & Benefits
Fiber Security & Data Privacy
Real Estate

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>P&G</u>	<u>Lockheed Martin</u>	<u>YUM! Brands</u>
<u>Fifth Third Bank</u>	<u>Microsoft</u>	<u>Toyota</u>
<u>UPS</u>	<u>First Financial Bank</u>	<u>JPMorgan Chase</u>

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Attorney #1

Name: Jill Cranston Rice

Email: Jill.rice@dinsmore.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

• Jill Rice: Jill focuses her practice on insurance, health care and government relations but litigates on behalf of many sectors. She has extensive legislative and regulatory government relations and commercial litigation experience. She has been a registered lobbyist in West Virginia for more than 20 years and has lobbied on behalf of various industry sectors. As part of her lobbying work, Jill works directly with business units to understand how they operate and why, experience she leverages for the benefit of clients when she litigates and tries cases for them. For example, she is the spokesperson and lead lobbyist for the P&C industry in West Virginia and applies the perspectives and insights gained from this role in her defense of insurers. The National Law Journal named her an Insurance Trailblazer in 2021, and Jill is on the DRI Board of Directors.

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Attorney #2

Name: Michelle Duncan

Email: Michelle.duncan@dinsmore.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

• Michelle Duncan: Michelle has more than a decade of experience representing business entities and professionals in complex civil litigation and pre-suit claims and disputes concerning a range of matters including personal injury, premises liability, professional liability, and employment litigation. She has handled every aspect of civil litigation from developing litigation strategy to arguing contested dispositive motions and trying cases in state and federal courts. In 2019, Michelle successfully prosecuted a misappropriations of trades secrets and breach of an employment contract case in a Kentucky federal court.

Attorney #3

Name: Govinda Davis

Email: Govinda.davis@dinsmore.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

• Govinda Davis: An experienced intellectual property lawyer, Govinda focuses her practice on counseling clients on all aspects of trademark and copyright law, including court litigation and inter partes administrative trademark proceedings, domain disputes, trademark and copyright prosecution and licensing. Her clients range from small businesses to large, international clients with intellectual property matters in the U.S. She also regularly works with foreign associates and international clients to address their trademark needs in the U.S. and clients in the U.S. who seek trademark protection abroad. She counsels clients on a variety of topics including prosecution, trademark oppositions, enforcement and take downs and litigation.



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City, State, Zip: Buffalo, NY 14203

Phone: 716-566-5400

Fax: 716-566-5401

Email: jhanna@goldbergsegalla.com

Please mark if your firm is:

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Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Both within our own firm and across the wider business and legal communities, Goldberg Segalla's commitment to diversity is a critical component of our firm's mission and culture.

To put our philosophy and commitment into practice, we have a Diversity Task Force in place to conceptualize and implement diversity-focused programs, as well as give diversity a voice in our decision-making at the highest level. The individuals on this task force share the firm's strong commitment to increasing diversity, and use their unique experiences and backgrounds to support and advance that goal. The team meets regularly to create programs, schedule events, establish diversity initiatives both inside and outside of the firm, set long-term goals, and develop the strategy to recruit and retain people from diverse backgrounds.

Joe Hanna is the Chair of our Diversity Task Force and a member of the firm's management committee. In that capacity, he has spearheaded numerous diversity initiatives in various organizations and outreach programs, serves on several diversity-related committees, and is a frequent author and speaker on diversity. Among other positions, he is Chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Minority Trial Lawyer Committee and its Special Committee on Human Rights, Editor-in-Chief of the ABA's Minority Trial Lawyer, a Fellow and New York chapter chair of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, a past President of the Minority Bar Association of Western New York (MBAWNY), current President of the MBAWNY Foundation, and the Diversity Liaison for several committees at the 22,000-member Defense Research Institute (DRI).

Imoh Akpan was Program Chair of the 2022 Diversity for Success Seminar, is a member of the Goldberg Segalla Diversity Task Force, and the managing attorney of our Baltimore Office. Imoh is a long-time member of DRI's Diversity and Inclusion Steering Committee. He also serves as the Co-Chair of the Federation for Defense and Corporate Counsel's Diversity Committee.

Goldberg Segalla demonstrates leadership inside our firm and throughout the legal community specifically focused on the advancement of women. As a complement to our Diversity Task Force, we have a formal Women's Initiative — designed to spark opportunities, develop mentoring relationships, promote leadership, plan events, and support the advancement of women in legal, management, and administrative contexts.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Hartford, CT

St. Louis, MO

San Francisco, CA

Baltimore, MD

Los Angeles, CA

Miami, FL

Princeton, NJ

Chicago, IL

Raleigh, NC

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- Other: Appellate
Asbestos
Civil Litigation & Trial
Cyber Security & Data Privacy
Long-Term Care
Maritime
Municipal & Government Law
OSHA
Opioid
Real Estate & Land Use
Workers' Compensation

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>Lowe's</u>	<u>Starbucks</u>	<u>Burlington Coat Factory</u>
<u>U-Haul</u>	<u>Staples</u>	<u>Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL)</u>
<u>BJ's</u>	<u>Kohl's</u>	<u>IKEA</u>

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Attorney #1	Name: <u>Imoh E. Akpan</u>
	Email: <u>iakpan@goldbergsegalla.com</u>
	Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less) <p>Imoh is an accomplished litigator with over 15 years of experience representing corporations and insurers in a variety of matters involving catastrophic injury, wrongful death, general negligence, negligent security, civil rights, product liability and other types of claims in the state and federal courts in Maryland and Washington, D.C. He has taken over 15 jury trials and 200 bench trials to verdict.</p> <p>Imoh is also managing attorney for Goldberg Segalla's Baltimore Office and is member of the firm's Diversity Task Force. He was the Program Chair for last year's (2022) Diversity for Success Seminar.</p>

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Attorney #2

Name: _____

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Attorney #3

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City, State, Zip: Irvine, CA 92614

Phone: (949) 255-6950

Fax: (949) 474-2060

Email: acarino@grsm.com

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Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Gordon & Rees prides itself on its ongoing commitment to diversity throughout its offices in all 50 states. As a part of the firm's ongoing commitment to recruit, retain, and promote female and diverse attorneys to the highest positions of management and ownership at the firm, the firm implemented a Leadership Equality and Diversity ("LEAD") Program. This initiative, which works in tandem with the ongoing programs undertaken by the firm's Diversity Committee, Women's Initiative, and Affinity Groups, has been specifically tailored to achieve Gordon & Rees' core objectives in the areas of diversity and inclusion. Through these groups, the firm ensures that its attorneys receive opportunities for development, mentorship and dialogue during meetings to further promote connection and engagement.

Our recent awards for diversity include: Ranked No. 13 for female attorneys on the Law360 Glass Ceiling Report; Ranked No. 24 on the National Law Journal's Women in Law Scorecard; Ranked No. 24 on The American Lawyer's Diversity Scorecard; Ranked No. 36 for Diverse Attorneys on the Law360 Diversity Snapshot; a perfect score of 100 on the 2016-2022 LGBTQ+ Corporate Equality Index.

According to recent reports, Gordon & Rees exceeds the average ranking among U.S. law firms including: 19% diverse attorneys compared to 16% diverse attorneys average among U.S. law firms; 13% in diverse partners compared to 9% diverse partners average among U.S. law firm; 42% female attorneys compared to 37% average among U.S. law firms and 34% female partners compared to 25% average among U.S. law firms. The firm was recently recognized among the top 25 firms for promoting the most females to partner.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Southern California

One Battery Park Plaza, 28th Floor

One North Franklin, Suite 800

275 Battery Street, Suite 2000

55 Ivan Allen Jr., Blvd. NW, Suite 750

40 Calhoun Street, Suite 350

15 W. South Temple, Suite 1600

Three Logan Square

All 50 states

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FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug and Medical Device | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Premises Liability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation Litigation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Cyber Security; Energy Law; Hospitality Law</u> | | | |

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>Fortune 500 companies</u>	<u>Privately held companies</u>	<u>International, National, and Regional insurance companies</u>
<u>Privately held companies</u>	<u>For profit and nonprofit corporations</u>	<u>Financial Institutions</u>
<u>Private Individuals</u>		

ATTORNEYS

Maximum of three (3) attorneys per firm may interview

Attorney #1

Name: Catherine Delorey

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Catherine Delorey is Senior Counsel in the San Francisco office of Gordon & Rees. Ms. Delorey has over two decades of experience aggressively resolving disputes through negotiation, arbitration, and litigation. She represents contractors on a number of legal issues facing the construction industry, including: differing site conditions, nondisclosure, delays and acceleration, liquidated damages, termination, extra work, payment and retention withholdings, and bid protests. She also represents owners, architects, and consultants in resolving disputes on public and private projects. Ms. Delorey is active with the American Bar Association Forum on Construction Law and a frequent speaker on legal issues.

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Attorney #2

Name: Joseph Rivera

Email: jrivera@grsm.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Joseph Rivera, Jr. is Partner in the New York office of Gordon & Rees with extensive experience handling complex tort and product liability matters. He represents foreign and domestic manufacturers, distributors, retailers, including various Fortune 500 companies, their insurers, and also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Trial Advocacy at Fordham University Law School. As a litigator, Mr. Rivera has aggressively negotiated favorable outcomes for his clients via negotiation, mediation and arbitration. He has also received favorable verdicts through bench and jury trials. He serves as a board member and co-chair for various bar associations and legal affinity groups.

Attorney #3

Name: Alleli Carino

Email: acarino@grsm.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Alleli Carino is an associate attorney in the Professional Liability Defense and Environmental/Toxic Tort practice groups. Ms. Carino has represented clients in the litigation of environmental/toxic tort cases, personal injury cases involving auto, premises and government liability, as well as litigation of cases under the Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act. Ms. Carino is experienced in all phases of litigation, including discovery, law and motion, taking and defending depositions, trial preparation, and has participated in trial as second chair trial attorney. Ms. Carino also serves in the DRI D&I membership subcommittee.



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Jackson Lewis, PC

Address: 601 Poydras Street Suite 1400

City, State, Zip: New Orleans, LA 70130

Phone: 5047992754 Fax: Jackson Lewis, PC Email: michael.taylor@jacksonlewis.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Jackson Lewis believes that an inclusive culture makes us a stronger, better firm. We share our clients' goals to emphasize diversity, inclusion, integrity, and respect for the contribution of every employee. We understand the importance of having a workforce that reflects the various communities in which we work. We strive to create an environment where diverse attorneys want to work and can flourish.

As of March 2023, 36 percent of the firm's attorneys are persons of color, including 27 percent of elevated principals and 27 percent of the firm's governing board.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>Los Angeles, CA</u>	<u>Miami, FL</u>
<u>Houston, TX</u>	<u>Chicago, IL</u>	<u>San Francisco, CA</u>
<u>Baltimore, MD</u>	<u>New York, NY</u>	<u>Detroit, MI</u>

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug and Medical Device | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Premises Liability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation Litigation |
- Other: Workplace Investigations, Employee Benefits Litigation, OSHA Investigations

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>Apple, Inc.</u>	<u>Apple Studios</u>	<u>Pfizer</u>
<u>Home Depot</u>	<u>Marriott</u>	<u>Eaton Corporation</u>
<u>International Paper</u>		<u>DuPont</u>

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Attorney #1

Name: Michael B. Taylor

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Michael B. Taylor is Of Counsel in the New Orleans, Louisiana, office of Jackson Lewis P.C. He advises clients on a diverse range of employment matters, including wage and hour issues and workplace discrimination claims. Michael began his journey as a named plaintiff in a class action lawsuit, which makes him an intuitive counselor who recognizes that solving business problems often prevents legal problems. Michael applies this philosophy to local businesses, as well as employers with regional and national presences. Michael advises technology startups, charter schools, as well as hospitals and health care systems, credit unions and national retailers.

Attorney #2

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)



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Firm Name: Locke Lord, LLP

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City, State, Zip: Washington, DC 20001

Phone: 202-220-6939

Fax: _____

Email: toyja.kelley@lockelord.com

Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

In April 2019, the Firm’s Executive Committee adopted a Strategic Plan for Diversity and Inclusion that not only established diversity and inclusion as one of the five core values of our Firm but established the framework through which the Firm’s departments and practice groups actualize the priorities of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in both concept and practice.

Locke Lord has a robust and active Firmwide Diversity and Inclusion Committee composed of partners, associates, and administrative staff. The Firm also created a full-time C-suite level role to lead and implement all of the Firm’s internal and external diversity initiatives. As of December 31, 2022, 21.7% of Locke Lord’s partners are women and 9.3% are ethnic minority/traditionally underrepresented (“URE”) lawyers. Women constitute 20.0% of the firm’s primary governing body and URE representation in that body is 13.3%. There is also significant diversity in the Firm’s office and practice group leadership. Globally, the Firm’s practice group leaders are 14.5% women and 4.8% are URE. Of Locke Lord’s 20 office managing partners, 45.0% are women and 10.0% are URE.

To amplify the diversity commitment demonstrated by data, Locke Lord engages deeply with industry efforts to advance diversity in the legal profession. For example, annually, the Firm nominates diverse attorneys to participate in the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) professional development programs. Locke Lord encourages its attorneys to attend, the Corporate Counsel Women of Color, National Bar Association, and Hispanic National Bar Association among others. Additionally the Firm consistently achieves Mansfield Certification—the legal industry’s de facto standard for diversity.

Individual attorney commitment to diversity is also encouraged at the Firm. In 2018-2019, Partner Toyja Kelley was installed as youngest and then only second person of color president of DRI. Locke Lord is also one of the few “Big Law” law firms that annually provides up to 75 hours of billable hour credit for time spent on internal or external activities that advance diversity in the legal profession. To quantify a diversity focus among the Firm’s partners, Locke Lord additionally introduced Diversity Dashboards, which convey the diversity staffing levels for client matters on a real-time, “at-a-glance” basis.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Baltimore, MD

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Houston, TX

New York, NY

Hartford, CT

Chicago, IL

Boston, MA

Miami, FL

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>US Wind, Inc.</u>	<u>Farmers Insurance Exchange</u>	<u>Under Armour, Inc.</u>
<u>Proctor & Gamble</u>	<u>Airbus</u>	_____
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ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1	Name: <u>Toyja Kelley, Sr.</u>
	Email: <u>toyja.kelley@lockelord.com</u>
	Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Toyja concentrates his practice in commercial, construction, professional and product liability, and insurance coverage cases.

His representative matters include:

- Defended litigation over claims stemming from the construction of its artificial turf football stadium.
- Defended a sports clothing manufacturer in a construction case involving its \$4.1 million visitor center.
- Defended an administrator of automotive consumer service claims in class action.
- Represented a national home improvement franchising company in commercial dispute.

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Attorney #2

Name: Aditi Deal

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Aditi Deal maintains a broad litigation practice, including matters involving contract disputes, construction litigation, tort liability and energy litigation. Her experience includes engaging in nuanced research, drafting dispositive and non-dispositive motions, drafting appellate briefs and discovery management.

Attorney #3

Name: Noah Mason

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Noah Mason represents defendants in business litigation, financial services, insurance and real estate matters. He has represented Fortune 500 companies, insurance carriers and privately owned enterprises in state and federal courts.

Noah's experience involves allegations covering wide spectrum of issues including consumer protection, data security, trade secrets and information technology.



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Phelps Dunbar LLP

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City, State, Zip: New Orleans, LA 70130

Phone: 504-566-1311

Fax: _____

Email: ann.theriot@phelps.com

Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Phelps believes that clients are best served when we can offer the diverse perspectives found within our communities. Phelps has partnered with local and national minority law organizations, law schools, and with clients and colleagues to build a more diverse and inclusive environment. The Firm's policy prohibits discrimination based upon race, sex, religion, color, sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity and expression, military or veteran status, national origin, citizenship status, ancestry, disability, marital status, age, genetic information, or any other basis protected by federal, state, local law, ordinance, or regulation.

Phelps is proud to be Mansfield-certified and continue to work to foster inclusivity. The Mansfield Rule has become the standard by which law firms track and measure that they have affirmatively considered at least 30 percent women, lawyers of color, lawyers with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ lawyers for top leadership roles, senior-level lateral hiring, promotions into the equity partnership and participation in client pitch meetings.

Phelps is actively involved in initiatives throughout its communities that promote and celebrate diversity and inclusion. One such initiative, among others in which Phelps is a law firm member, is the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD), an organization comprised of chief legal officers and managing partners from leading corporations and law firms around the United States, dedicated to developing, measuring, and rewarding diversity efforts.

Phelps lawyers serve in leadership positions within professional organizations such as the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, National Bar Association, Defense Research Institute, and the American Bar Association Section of Litigation Diversity & Inclusion Committee. Phelps encourages its lawyers to attend various conferences and seminars dedicated to professional development for women and minority lawyers.

Phelps has held top rankings in a national survey of minority hiring. Minority Law Journal ranked Phelps as having the highest percentage of African-American lawyers four times since 2002 and one of the top three firms in this category for eight years. Multicultural Law Magazine has listed Phelps in the following diversity categories: Top 100 Law Firms for Diversity, Top 25 Law Firms for African-Americans, Top 100 Law Firms for Women, and Top 50 Law Firms for Partners for a number of years.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX

Raleigh, NC

Gulfport, MS

Birmingham, AL

Tampa, FL

Fort Worth, TX

Jackson, MS

Tupelo, MS

Baton Rouge, LA

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Entergy Corporation

Chubb

Walmart

Warner Brothers Entertainment

National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People

Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's
London

Enterprise

United Healthcare

Hanover

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Brandon Davis

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Brandon Davis is a Partner in the Labor and Employment group in Phelps Dunbar LLP's New Orleans, Louisiana. Brandon practice focuses on labor and employment and business, employment-based and family-based immigration representing employers in the defense of employment-related claims, alleging retaliation, discrimination and workplace harassment under federal and state statutes. . Brandon handles EEOC charges and administrative complaints of human resource and risk management issues. He has an active litigation practice at both state and federal levels and represents employers and individuals in civil and criminal worksite enforcement defense, visa petitions for employees, students, investors/traders, intracompany transfers, and family-sponsored petitions.

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Firm Name: Phelps Dunbar LLP

Attorney #2

Name: Rebecca Sha

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Rebecca Sha is a Partner in the Labor and Employment group in Phelps Dunbar LLP's New Orleans, Louisiana office. Rebecca helps clients resolve disputes, including accommodations, wage and hour violations, employment discrimination, harassment, retaliation claims, commercial litigation, constitutional law, Title IX and student and faculty issues. Rebecca has obtained successful results on behalf of her clients, both at trial, pre-trial stage, and administrative investigations and proceedings before the DOL, NLRB, EEOC, and OCR.

Attorney #3

Name: Ebony S. Morris

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Ebony Morris is an associate attorney in the Litigation group in Phelps Dunbar LLP's New Orleans, Louisiana office. Ebony guides insurers, businesses and manufacturers and educational institutions through complex litigation. She regularly defends fact and expert witness depositions and drafts and argues motions to resolve issues without a costly and lengthy trial. Ebony is also well-prepared to advocate for them in state and federal court. Ebony handles all phases of litigation involving insurance disputes, mass torts, premises liability, products liability, transportation injuries, and workers compensation.



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Proskauer Rose, LLP

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Phone: 5043102027

Fax: 5043102022

Email: aharris@proskauer.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Proskauer is dedicated in our commitment to diversity and inclusion in our workforce. Our multidimensional approach emphasizes the recruitment, retention, and promotion of our diverse lawyers. We also are committed to building a robust pipeline of candidates, and invest significant resources into cultivating the next generation of diverse lawyers.

Our approach is guided by our Diversity Task Force and informed by feedback from our people. The Task Force includes two members of the Firm's Executive Committee, the Firm's Managing Partner, two department chairs, four office heads and recruiting team members, among others. Proskauer's year-end performance evaluation and compensation process for all lawyers, including partners, takes into account individual efforts to improve the Firm's culture and diversity.

Proskauer's executive leadership team is comprised of 50% partners from underrepresented groups. Furthermore, lawyers from underrepresented groups serve as leaders of major departments, offices and committees. Firm leadership actively seeks to create and maintain a diverse workforce, sponsor and encourage our lawyers to join diversity-aligned organizations, and support volunteer and pro bono efforts. We strive to provide all of our clients with the best service possible by continuously expanding the breadth of perspective and experience that we offer through our attorneys.

The Firm's various diversity initiatives include but are not limited to the following:

- **Mentoring Circle Program**- provides junior diverse associates with personalized support from partner mentors.
- **Affinity Groups**- our Diverse Lawyer Network and our Proskauer Women's Alliance (PWA) create dynamic platforms for members to share ideas, cultivate relationships, and celebrate their unique backgrounds and perspectives.
- **Pipeline Initiative**- provides a framework for closely monitoring and driving the career progression of mid-to-senior level diverse lawyers (5th years and above). The goal of the program is to diversify the partnership by actively facilitating the advancement of diverse lawyers through sponsorship.
- **Women's Sponsorship Program** - WSP takes career development beyond traditional mentoring: The firm selects distinguished senior partners as sponsors who not only serve as advisors, but also proactively advocate on behalf of carefully chosen mid- and senior-level women lawyers.

In addition, the Firm has a dedicated DEI Team of five full-time diversity professionals.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

New York, NY

Washington, DC

Paris

Los Angeles, CA

Boca Raton, FL

London

Boston, MA

Chicago, IL

San Paulo

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- Other: Sports and Entertainment, Privacy and Cybersecurity, Real Estate, Private Equity, Finance, Trial Strategies, White Collar Defense & Investigations, Consumer Litigation, and others.

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Johnson & Johnson

The Walt Disney Company

McDonald's Corporation

Meta (formerly known as Facebook)

Major sports leagues, including the NFL, the MLB, the MHL, and the NBA.

The New York Times

T-Mobile

NBC Universal

The Recording Academy

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Atoyia Harris

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Atoyia Harris is Special Employment Law Counsel in the Labor and Employment Department and a member of the Employment Litigation & Counseling Group. Atoyia serves as the Program Chair of the 2023 DRI Diversity Seminar. At Proskauer, she has successfully defended employment and other litigation matters and conducts investigations on issues related to harassment, discrimination, and retaliation. Her practice also includes counseling clients on reductions-in-force, issues arising out of social movements including Black Lives Matter and #MeToo, and other sensitive employment issues. Atoyia is co-chair of Proskauer's Black Lawyers Affinity Group, and is on the Proskauer Women's Alliance Steering Committee.

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Attorney #2

Name: Aaron Francis

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Aaron Francis is an Associate in the Litigation Department and a member of the Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Litigation Group. His practice focuses on complex civil litigations, internal and regulatory investigations, and arbitrations, covering a range of types of disputes, including cybersecurity, commercial contracts, and securities. He also advises, counsels, and represents various pro bono clients, including non-profit organizations on issues related to harassment and discrimination, incarcerated survivors of domestic violence in criminal appeals, and multiple other entities in civil rights litigation. Aaron is a member of Proskauer’s Black Lawyers Affinity Group.

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email: _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)



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FIRM INFORMATION

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Phone: 3056701101 Fax: 3056701161 Email: eboyer@qpwbllaw.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

More than 50% of our approx. 400 attorneys are women; We average about 35% gender and ethnic diversity; approx. 85% of our managing partners & rainmakers are women/diverse attorneys. We are members of NAMWOLF. We actively engage in numerous DEI events and participate frequently on the speaking and publishing circuit. We sponsor and contribute to many diversity and community philanthropic endeavors. We have a minority and women owned certification process certification team.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

we have 29 offices throughout the U , TX , CO
CA, CO, FL, GA, IL, LA, MD, MI, MS, N , TN , LA
the US. Virgin Islands, CA , AZ , NV

FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

- Commercial Litigation
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- Product Liability
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law and Toxic Torts
- Intellectual Property
- Professional Liability
- Drug and Medical Device
- Health Care
- Premises Liability
- Transportation Litigation
- Other: Workers Compensation, Administrative, Appellate, Litigation, Financial Practices, Real Estate, White Collar Crime, SIU/Investigations, Transactional, Aviation, General Counsel

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>CNA</u>	<u>Gallagher Bassett</u>	<u>Crum and Forster</u>
<u>Axis Capital</u>	<u>Fed Ex</u>	<u>Target</u>
<u>Walmart</u>	<u>Collis Roofing</u>	<u>Sedgwick</u>

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Attorney #1

Name: Debbie Riley

Email driley@qpwblaw.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Debbie Riley is General Counsel for the firm and licensed in Kansas, Illinois and Georgia. She is an accomplished insurance claims and litigation management expert with over 20 years of senior executive experience. Ms. Riley is a trained mediator and settlement negotiator. She concentrates in managing complex insurance issues, insurance standards and practices. She has deep insurance and corporate knowledge with experience involving reorganizations, restructures, process and technology improvement initiatives and creating/implementing strategic vision plans. Ms. Riley also focuses in the areas of nursing home and long-term care liability, professional liability, auto and premise liability.

Attorney #2

Name: Pamela W. Carter

Email pamela.carter@qpwblaw.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Pamela W. Carter is the managing partner of the New Orleans office at Quintairos, Prieto, Wood & Boyer, P.A. Ms. Carter concentrates her practice in litigation and represents clients in a wide variety of areas in federal and state courts in Louisiana and Texas. She litigates complex disputes, insurance claims for corporate clients, employment disputes, commercial litigation and other matters including mold, asbestos, premises liability, insurance defense, coverage claims, bad faith litigation and race/gender discrimination cases.

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney

Address: 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 5500 29100 Northwestern Highway, Suite 240, Southfield, MI 48034

City, State, Zip: Chicago, IL 60606

Phone: (248) 994-0060

Fax: (248) 994-0061

Email: kwilliams@smsm.com

Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

We are committed to fostering a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion that provides opportunities to all our team members and empowers them to be their best whole person, professionally and personally. We also seek to maintain a strong organization that effectively represents the interests of our clients, who also reflect the rich diversity of their organizations and communities, and we endeavor to hire, develop, retain and promote talent to ensure the firm remains a DE&I leader within the profession and community at large. To that end, the firm's DE&I Committee formulates and shepherds its key initiatives relating to DE&I, such as: Education, Mentorship Programs, Forward Together (an education, networking and marketing program designed to provide female associates with tools for professional advancement), Diversity Pipeline (via Thurgood Marshall Diversity Pipeline Initiative we provide summer internship for high school students from diverse communities, and Community Involvement (pro bono and public service initiatives addressing issues of justice and equality).

Segal Cambridge attorneys and staff represent the rich spectrum of diversity of skin color, gender, country of birth, sexual orientation and other factors that collectively make us human. This diversity guides one of our core principles: We value everyone for who they are as a person. We are adamant in viewing one's uniqueness as an asset rather than a limitation and insist that colleagues bring their complete selves to our team.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Austin, TX

Indianapolis, IN

Houston, TX

New York, NY

Jersey City, NJ

Fort Lauderdale, FL

St. Louis, MO

Philadelphia, PA

FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

Commercial Litigation

Employment Law

Insurance Law

Product Liability

Construction Law

Environmental Law and Toxic Torts

Intellectual Property

Professional Liability

Drug and Medical Device

Health Care

Premises Liability

Transportation Litigation

Other: Technology & Cyber Risk

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Zurn Industries, Inc.

Nationwide Insurance Company

United Services Automobile Association (USAA)

State Auto Insurance Companies

Allstate Insurance Company

Zurich American Ins. Co.

Metlife Auto & Home

Hauck Manufacturing Company

DeZurik/Illinois

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Kenneth P. Williams

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Kenneth Williams defends corporations in complex coverage, property, product liability and commercial litigation matters. He represents insurance carriers and individual corporations in coverage and personal injury litigation. He serves as a member of the firm's Executive Committee and is co-chair of the firm's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee.

In addition to his trial litigation practice, Kenneth's experience includes cybersecurity coverage consulting and litigation, counseling insurers on an array of coverage issues, rideshare coverage and injury litigation, and representing insurers in bad faith and declaratory relief lawsuits in cases involving general liability, homeowner, auto and E&O policies.

Attorney #2

Name: Madina Axelrod

Email: MAxelrod@smsm.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Madina Axelrod defends companies in high-stakes product liability, toxic tort and commercial litigation matters. Madina is currently co-chair of the firm's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee. She is also chair of the firm's Toxic Tort/Hazardous Substances practice group.

Madina serves as national coordinating counsel, regional counsel and local counsel for multinational equipment manufacturers and other companies in asbestos litigation in managing complex claims.

After obtaining her J.D. from Moscow State Academy of Law in 1997, Madina practiced law in Moscow serving as in-house counsel for Russia's largest brewing company. In 2002, she obtained her LL.M. from Cornell Law School.

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Attorney #3

Name: A. Solomon Luwoye

Email: sluwoye@smsm.com

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Solomon Luwoye concentrates his practice in civil litigation including areas of first-party and third-party no-fault insurance defense, insurance coverage disputes and general negligence litigation. He has previously also spent a number of years as an insurance advisor for one of the largest brokerages in North America, which has provided him with a unique, behind the scenes, knowledge and set of skills when handling insurance related matters.

Solomon earned his J.D. from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, cum laude.



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.

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City, State, Zip: Hartford, CT 06103

Phone: 8605158901 Fax: _____ Email: rsimpson@shb.com

Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Shook is committed to being the best in the world at providing creative and practical solutions with unsurpassed value. Led by Chair Madeleine McDonough, our science-driven firm is deeply passionate about achieving the best results for our clients from the boardroom to the courtroom. Sustaining a diverse environment where everyone is respected, feels appreciated and experiences fulfillment and enjoyment through meaningful personal contributions is the core of who we are as a firm.

In addition to finding creative solutions for our corporate clients, Shook has always held a passionate commitment to diversity, inclusion and social justice issues.

Nearly half of the firm's executive committee is composed of women and diverse attorneys, and women and diverse attorneys also lead a number of the firm's largest practice areas and city offices including Chicago, Houston, Orange County, Philadelphia, St. Louis and Tampa.

In 2020, Shook launched the Honorable Jon Gray Lawyers Leadership Academy Program in an effort to develop diverse attorneys and help them transition to eventually serving key clients. Mentors include former Judge Jon Gray, the program's namesake, as well as Shook trial attorneys, alumni, friends and clients who are dedicated to diversity and inclusion and improving the legal profession. The mentees will benefit from the courtroom experience of Shook's trial, appellate and class action attorneys and the business acumen of in-house counsel and clients. The program aims to enhance long-term retention and advancement of minority lawyers by providing them the access, tools and support to become successful partners at Shook.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

<u>Los Angeles, Orange County, San Fra</u>	<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>Kansas City and St. Louis, MO</u>
<u>Denver, CO</u>	<u>Chicago, IL</u>	<u>New York City, NY</u>
<u>Tampa and Miami, FL</u>	<u>Boston, MA</u>	<u>Philadelphia, PA</u>

FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Law
- Insurance Law
- Product Liability
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law and Toxic Torts
- Intellectual Property
- Professional Liability
- Drug and Medical Device
- Health Care
- Premises Liability
- Transportation Litigation

Other: _____

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Bayer

GSK

Sanofi

Microsoft

Philip Morris USA

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Attorney #1

Name: Rob Simpson

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Robert Simpson is a seasoned trial attorney who leads Shook's Hartford, Connecticut office. He has extensive experience in product liability litigation and focuses on pharmaceutical and medical device litigation. Rob has served as first- and second-chair trial counsel in more than 30 cases that have gone to verdict in various roles including lead trial counsel, national counsel and local counsel for global pharmaceutical and medical device companies. Rob is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates and has served as a trial instructor for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy and the American Bar Association.

Attorney #2

Name: Sheldon Poole

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Sheldon Poole primarily defends corporate clients in product liability and environmental toxic tort litigation. Sheldon has substantial experience handling complex personal injury and property suits involving alleged catastrophic injuries, including wrongful death and survivorship claims and claims involving environmental contamination. He also has experience in representing high profile product manufacturing clients in multi-district litigation. Sheldon handles all phases of litigation in cases pending in multiple states and has been effective at attacking claims through successful motion practice on behalf of his clients.

Sheldon is dedicated to pro bono service, with a focus on housing-related matters.

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Attorney #3

Name: Brice Nengsu Kenfack

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Brice Nengsu Kenfack represents his clients nationally in all litigation and pre-litigation matters, including product liability, construction, insurance, commercial and general liability disputes, and has appeared before state and federal courts across the United States. He uses his vast experience to represent a broad range of clients, including pharmaceutical companies, component manufacturers, senior living facilities, health and wellness companies and insurance companies.

Pro bono work and diversity and inclusion are a cornerstone of Brice's work. He currently serves as the diversity advocate for Shook Kansas City, and is co-managing the Shook Hardy and Bacon's Immigration Practice Group.



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Firm Name: Venable LLP

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Fax: 2023448300

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Please mark if your firm is: Minority Owned Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Venable has a multipronged strategy to recruit, retain, and promote diverse talent. We have realized a 50% increase in the number of racially diverse attorneys and doubled the number of partners and counsel who are women in the past decade. Venable maintains a chief diversity and inclusion officer to build on the firm's board-level Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives. Further, Venable maintains a Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion composed of chairs and co-chairs of our current lawyer affinity groups: Venable Success Network (VSN – supporting African American attorneys), Women at Venable (WAVE), LGBTQ @ Venable, Venable Attorneys Making our Success (VAMOS – supporting Hispanic/Latino/a/x attorneys), and Asian Pacific Excellence (APEX – supporting Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander attorneys).

Venable is dedicated to nurture a truly inclusive environment, through continuously seeking out highly skilled lawyers, paraprofessionals, and support staff from a wide range of racial, ethnic, cultural, and social backgrounds, and developing and implementing programs, outreach, and mentoring opportunities that promote their personal and professional growth. We also host a variety of diversity trainings and seminars to foster equity, awareness, unity, and understanding amongst all firm personnel.

Further, we are partnered with the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD), the premier organization fostering equality in the legal profession, to help build and cultivate a robust recruiting pipeline.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

Annapolis

New York, NY

Tysons, VA

Chicago, IL

San Francisco

Wilmington, DE

Ft. Lauderdale

Washington, DC

FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Law
- Insurance Law
- Product Liability
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law and Toxic Torts
- Intellectual Property
- Professional Liability
- Drug and Medical Device
- Health Care
- Premises Liability
- Transportation Litigation
- Other: See <https://www.venable.com/services>

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REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Merck Sharp & Dohme LLC; Merck & Co., Inc.

Takeda Pharmaceuticals U.S.A., Inc., Takeda Pharmaceuticals America, Inc., et al.

Giant Food Stores, LLC

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Thomasina E. Poirot

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Thomasina Poirot is a litigator who focuses on complex pharmaceutical litigation and insurance coverage matters. Thomasina represents pharmaceutical and laboratory companies and has been a member of trial teams where she works with clients to prepare for fact witness and employee examinations, drafts dispositive motions and motions in limine, and assists with opening and closing statements and demonstratives. She works with expert witnesses in areas such as neurology, neurosurgery, epidemiology, genetics, pain, phlebotomy standard of care, and pharmaceutical product labeling. Thomasina also takes and defends expert and fact witness depositions and assists in the evaluation and implementation of mass tort settlements. Read more at www.venable.com/professionals/p/thomasina-e-poirot

Attorney #2

Name: Christian A. Coward

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Christian focuses on complex pharmaceutical litigation. This includes the defense of companies in multidistrict litigation and statewide coordinated proceedings. Christian has experience drafting various court submissions, including dispositive motions; assisting with the factual development of the "company case"; assisting in deposition preparation; drafting plaintiff-specific discovery requests and responses. In addition Christian has experience defending clients in individual cases pending in state and federal courts. Christian has also been recognized by the National Black Lawyers' Association Top 40 under 40 and serves as a Board member for the South Baltimore Learning Center. Read more at www.venable.com/professionals/c/christian-coward

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Firm Name: Venable LLP

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email: _____

Curriculum Vitae (*100 Words or Less*)



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FIRM INFORMATION

Firm Name: Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial

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City, State, Zip: Atlanta, GA 30326

Phone: 404-876-2700

Fax: 404-875-9433

Email: aidelevich@wwhgd.com

Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial (WWHGD) is proud of our commitment to diversity and inclusion. We embrace our differences and foster mutual respect for all, understanding that our strength comes from our differences. We are committed to recruiting, training, mentoring, promoting, and most importantly retaining, diverse attorneys, law clerks, professionals, paraprofessionals, and support staff. WWHGD believes that a diverse legal team is a stronger team. This outlook ensures that we approach cases with the benefit of a complex compilation of experiences and perspectives, enabling us to provide our clients with thoughtful and innovative solutions to the complex issues they face.

Our Diversity and Inclusion Committee, founded in-part by Jessica Burns and Anna Idelevich and led by Wendell Franklin as Chief Compliance Officer, spearheads the firm's inclusion and diversity efforts and demonstrates the firm's commitment through new and on-going firmwide initiatives.

WWHGD actively recruits and hires from the Southeastern Minority Job Fair for close to a decade and also participates in the Atlanta Bar Association's Minority & Diversity Clerkship Program. These efforts are making a difference. Proudly, for 2021-2022, eight of WWHGD's eleven (72%) Summer Clerks, and twelve of seventeen (70%) new Associates are women and/or members of a minority group. WWHGD's incoming 2023 Summer Clerk class is comprised of six out of fourteen (43%) minority lawyers and seven of fourteen (50%) are women. Additionally, 2023 hiring statistics for new associates joining the firm between January, 2023 – May 15, 2023 indicate that four out of five (80%) identify as minorities and three out of five (60%) are women.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

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Birmingham, AL

Miami, FL

Orlando, FL

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FIRM'S AREA OF EXPERTISE/PRACTICE

Mark all that apply.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Law and Toxic Torts | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Professional Liability |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drug and Medical Device | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Premises Liability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation Litigation |
- Other: Appellate, Class Actions, Commercial Litigation, Foodborne Illness, Consumer Litigation, Aviation, Nursing Home and Long-Term Care Litigation, Surety & Bond, Medical Malpractice, and Corporate Law.

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>AMC Entertainment</u>	<u>American Insurance Group ("AIG") (Excess Casualty Panel)</u>	<u>Balfour Betty US</u>
<u>CNA (Major Litigation Panel)</u>	<u>Coca-Cola Company</u>	<u>Eaton Corporation</u>
<u>Stantec Engineering</u>	<u>United Parcel Services, Inc.</u>	<u>Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC</u>

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Anna Idelevich

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Anna Idelevich is a first-generation immigrant. She was born in Russia and lived in Israel and is fluent in Russian and Hebrew. A granddaughter of Holocaust survivors, Anna understands the value of being an active supporter, rather than a passive bystander. At WWHGD, Anna serves as a founding member of WWHGD'S D&I Committee and enjoys mentoring associates. Anna has tried and resolved cases for Fortune 500 companies in high-exposure cases, including in the products liability, healthcare, transportation, and negligent security arenas. When not "lawyering," Anna enjoys painting, hiking with her husband and two rescue dogs, and podcasting.

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Firm Name: Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial

Attorney #2

Name: Jessica Burns

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Jessica Burns, raised in Orlando, Florida, graduated from the University of South Florida, University of Central Florida (MBA), and University of Florida Levin College of Law. She is a first-generation college graduate and spent the first half of her career working the ranks of a family-owned construction company. Her business experience gives her a keen understanding of the impact of litigation on company operations. Jessica is an active Board Member of the African American Chamber of Commerce, Central Florida, and the City of Orlando Appearance Review Board. Her practice includes commercial and construction litigation, insurance coverage and products liability defense.

Attorney #3

Name: Wendell Franklin

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Wendell Franklin was raised in Atlanta, Georgia and graduated from Morehouse College and Georgia State University's College of Law. A man of varied experience, skills and talents, Wendell served as an Intelligence Specialist in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, earned tenure at Penn State University, and has worked as a professional actor, earning coveted lead roles in theater and on primetime television network programs. Wendell now serves as the firm's Chief Compliance Officer. His practice is multi-faceted; primarily focusing on complex civil litigation, with an emphasis on catastrophic injury, negligent security, products liability, and medical malpractice defense.



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Firm Name: Wong Fleming

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City, State, Zip: Princeton, NJ 08540

Phone: 609-951-9520

Fax: 609-951-0270

Email: lwong@wongfleming.com

Please mark if your firm is:

Minority Owned

Woman Owned

Describe your firm's level of commitment to diversity.

Wong Fleming is a law firm rich in diversity. The firm has been a minority- and woman-owned law firm committed to diversity in the legal profession since its founding 29 years ago in 1994. The firm's commitment to diversity is pervasive and is reflected in the firm's ownership, associate ranks, and support staff. Many of our offices are managed by minority Partners who are members of diverse cultures. Many of the associates are either minorities and/or women. The firm is supportive of its diverse staff of paralegals and legal support staff. Simply hiring minorities is not enough to solve the underlying structural issues that inhibit minorities from attaining equal workplace opportunities and ascending the ranks of a firm. Wong Fleming has committed itself to cultivating an environment where diverse attorneys are assigned significant work commensurate with their experience and qualifications. The firm celebrates the diversity of its employees because we feel it makes us more responsive and better able to meet the needs of our clients. Wong Fleming also recognizes it is part of a diverse community that is made richer through the many cultures and ethnicities that have made the United States their home. Wong Fleming's commitment to diversity is an integral part of every facet of our firm including our recruitment, hiring and training efforts as well as the organizations we belong to and programs we sponsor. We believe that the interests of our clients are best served by a diverse group of attorneys, with strong advocacy, who maintain high standards of professional conduct. Our firm's CEO, Linda Wong, is both a woman and minority and many of our offices are managed by minority Partners. Several of our minority and women attorneys were promoted this past year to partner and management positions. Some of these minority attorneys have been with the firm for more than a decade. We also aim to design attorney case and trial teams that reflect gender and racial diversity, and continually reevaluate the policies of our law firm to ensure commitment to diversity in the workplace. Wong Fleming attorneys vigorously pursue their clients' interests with civility to the bench and fellow members of the Bar.

OTHER FIRM LOCATIONS

420 Walnut Avenue

125 South Wacker Drive

1500 John F Kennedy Blvd, Two Pen

1200 G Street, NW

118 N. Delaware

77 Sugar Creek Center Blvd

2675 Paces Ferry Rd.

1 Rockefeller Plaza

9840 Willows Road NE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug and Medical Device | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Premises Liability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation Litigation |
- Other: The firm is nationally recognized for its practice in the areas of Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy, Corporate Asset Recovery, Commercial Litigation, Trial, Insurance Defense and Coverage, and more.

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

<u>Keybank</u>	<u>Honda</u>	<u>Ford</u>
<u>Allstate</u>	<u>Bank of America</u>	<u>Harley-Davidson</u>
<u>Prudential</u>	<u></u>	<u>Sandoz</u>

ATTORNEYS

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Attorney #1

Name: Dafney Dubuisson Stokes, Partner

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Dafney Dubuisson Stokes is a Partner of Wong Fleming. Ms. Stokes concentrates her practice in creditors' rights, bankruptcy and automotive finance. She has led creditors' rights teams on a national level for clients who have experienced their highest recovery rates. She has also successfully defended many automotive finance companies in connection with complex Fair Credit Reporting Act, Truth in Lending and bankruptcy litigation. Prior to a career in litigation, Ms. Stokes worked for almost a decade in the social service sector advocating for youth in specialized foster care placement and instructed classes on critical life skills geared towards inner city young adults that would empower them to gain independence and move forward in life. With a desire to develop a strong relationship with every client and consistently steer them in the most productive direction, Ms. Stokes consistently goes above and beyond to help the client arrive at a beneficial and satisfactory solution.

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Firm Name: Wong Fleming

Attorney #2

Name: Florelee Lyles, Partner

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Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)

Florelee Lyles is a Partner of Wong Fleming. Ms. Lyles concentrates her practice in commercial litigation, insurance coverage and defense, products liability, premises liability, creditors' rights and employment and labor law. She has served on trial teams that successfully defended insurance companies in insurance coverage cases and that also successfully defended many products liability cases at trial. She currently serves on the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Jury Selection in Civil and Criminal Trials. Ms. Lyles also is a past president of the Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey. She has an AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell and was recognized as a Top-Rated Lawyer for ethical standards and legal ability in Litigation in 2015. She is also one of 100 attorneys honored in the Lawyers of Color Inaugural Eastern Region 2013 Hot List.

Attorney #3

Name: _____

Email _____

Curriculum Vitae (100 Words or Less)