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Law Practice:

Julie Smith is an appellate lawyer who also specializes in advising trial attorneys on litigation strategy and in drafting and arguing complex motions.

Before joining Cosgrave, she served as an Assistant Attorney General in the Trial and Appellate Divisions of the Oregon Department of Justice, where she twice received the department's Outstanding Achievement Award. Prior to that, she clerked for the Honorable Virginia Linder of the Oregon Court of Appeals.

Appellate services include:

- Reviewing the trial court record
- Identifying appeal-worthy issues
- Evaluating the merits of a potential appeal
- Participating in appellate mediation
- Developing a strategy for an appeal
- Writing appellate briefs, including amicus briefs

INDUSTRIES

Beverage

Construction

Financial Services

Healthcare

Hospitality

Insurance

Manufacturing

Professional Services

Railroad

Real Estate

Trucking and Motor Carrier

- Presenting oral argument

Litigation support services include:

- Identifying and analyzing complex legal issues
- Consulting on litigation strategy
- Drafting and arguing dispositive motions
- Drafting and arguing trial submissions, including trial memoranda, jury instructions, motions in limine, verdict forms, and directed-verdict motions
- Drafting and arguing post-trial motions, including motions for new trial
- Attending trial to ensure that a proper trial court record is made and that specific issues are properly preserved for appeal

PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate & Litigation Support

Business & Commercial
Litigation

Construction Services &
Litigation

Financial Services Litigation &
Compliance

Personal Injury & Property
Damage Liability

Product Liability

Professional Liability

Education & Bar Admissions:

Julie earned her bachelor's degree in political, legal, and economic analysis from Mills College and a law degree from the University of Oregon, where she graduated Order of the Coif. While attending law school, she was an Executive Editor of the Oregon Law Review.

Julie became a member of the Oregon State Bar in 1998. She is also admitted to practice in the United States District Court of Oregon and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Professional:

Julie is a member of the Oregon Association of Defense Counsel (OADC) and serves as one of the editors of its quarterly publication - *The Verdict*.

Julie is a member of the Multnomah Bar Association and the Oregon Women Lawyers.

She served on the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Bar's Appellate Practice Section from 2013 to 2018.

She also served on the Uniform Civil Jury Instructions Committee from 2011 to 2013.

Publications:

“Damages, 2016 Revision”

Chapter 2 - Nominal Damages, Oregon State Bar Publications, November, 2016

Awards:

From 2008 to 2012, Julie was chosen by her peers to be recognized as a “Rising Star” in the Oregon publication of *Super Lawyers*, an honor reserved for lawyers who have been in practice for 10 years or less or who are 40 or under.

Client Comments:

“I cannot thank you enough for the amazing work you did on my case. Your pretrial arguments and work on the directed verdict were integral to [trial counsel’s] success.”

“I know that you have received this great news already from Julie Smith. Congratulations on the terrific result! Julie did a superb job on the briefing and it is reflected clearly in the exemplary, thoughtful opinion that [the judge] wrote.”

“My feedback echos [the trial attorney’s], and the word that came to my mind after reading [your briefing] was ‘brilliant!’”

“Julie, thank you very much. I think [the motion] is extremely well done.”