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OVERVIEW

Clients benefit from having Jenna on their team, whether they need routine labor and employment counseling or representation for complex litigation.

Jenna frequently advises employers on compliance with federal and state employment laws, including Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, the Equal Pay Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), as well as numerous wage payment statutes. She enjoys helping her clients navigate the law and maintain a positive and productive workforce.

Jenna remains at-the-ready to conduct workplace investigations involving complaints by employees and third parties. She also advises on and litigates issues involving non-competition obligations.

Understanding that litigation can be an unwanted distraction, Jenna makes clients' problems her problems so clients can focus on running their businesses. She has experience in federal and state courts and represents clients in mediation and arbitration.

Jenna provides support to businesses and organizations across industries and is well-versed on employment issues that arise in healthcare specifically, as a member of the firm's healthcare group.

Industries

Education Healthcare Life Sciences

Services

Inclusion

Employment Class & Collective Actions Employment Litigation Defense HR Consultation & Training Labor & Employment Medical Staff & Governance Non-Competes & Restrictive Covenants Traditional Labor Relations Workplace Diversity, Equity, &

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Case Study

Student Entrepreneur Launches Interplay With Pro Bono Assistance

Our team provided corporate, intellectual property, and employment law advice to help a young entrepreneur launch her business.

Featured Experience

Employer Wins Total Defense Victory in Discrimination Case

Jenna, as second chair of the trial team, won a trial victory for an employer that was sued by a former director-level employee who alleged 20 claims under state and federal anti-discrimination laws (Title VII, Section 1981, the Equal Pay Act and the Missouri Human Rights Act) and state tort claims for defamation and invasion of privacy and publicity. The employee alleged discrimination and harassment based on gender, religion, race and national origin, as well as retaliation. Before trial, upon the employer's motion, the court disposed of 13 claims. Following a week-long trial, the federal jury found in the employer's favor on all seven remaining claims of gender, race and national origin discrimination and retaliation under federal law.

Experience

- Obtained total defense jury verdict in claims regarding discrimination, harassment and retaliation against large healthcare client.
- Served as lead associate on multimillion-dollar withdrawal liability arbitrations.
- Obtained summary judgment on Missouri employment and tort claims in federal court.

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Recognition

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Labor and Employment Law Employee, Labor and Employment Law - Management, Litigation - Labor and Employment, 2024
- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, High Honors, 2022
- Missouri Lawyers Media, Women's Justice Awards, Pro Bono Award, 2023
- Missouri Lawyers Media, Up & Coming, 2020
- Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition, 2016 Pro Bono Honor Roll

Education

- J.D., The George Washington University Law School
 - high honors
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 - The George Washington Law Review
- B.A., Brandeis University
 - o magna cum laude

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri
- Kansas
- U.S. District Court, District of Kansas
- District of Columbia
- New York

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Community Leadership

Jenna is proud to serve as an elected member and Council President for the Kansas City metro area's Fairway City Council.

Jenna also serves on the Board of Trustees for Jewish Vocational Service (JVS), a nonprofit working to assist refugees and immigrants. Jenna is the past president of JVS' Young Professional Board.

Previously, Jenna served as a coach for Girls on the Run at a local Kansas Public School. Girls on the Run is a program that seeks to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running.

Jenna has also chaired the Advisory Council for the Kansas City chapter of AVODAH, a national nonprofit working to strengthen the Jewish community's fight against the causes and effects of poverty in the United States. Prior to law school, Jenna devoted one year to AVODAH's Service Corps.



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