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OVERVIEW

Sarah's commercial litigation practice is focused on developing strategies to solve clients' problems.

Sarah represents clients facing contract disputes, business torts and consumer fraud actions, including those involving statutes such as the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA). She assists small and large clients nationwide such as banks, pharmacy benefits managers and air ambulance carriers across several sectors including healthcare and financial services.

Sarah takes the time to understand how each client's business operates and then makes strategically effective and individualized recommendations. She oversees the day-to-day management of numerous complex cases, developing defense strategies, coordinating offensive and defensive discovery, and preparing dispositive motions in arbitrations and in state and federal courts across the United States.

Passionate about pro bono work, Sarah was part of a team that represented prisoners sentenced to life without parole as juveniles, and assisted in the filing for a writ of certiorari before the U.S. Supreme Court. Sarah's experience also includes representing victims through Husch Blackwell's Human Trafficking Clinic, and she prepares applications for asylum seekers.

Industries

Education Healthcare Life Sciences

Services

Class Action Defense
Commercial Litigation
False Claims Act
Healthcare Litigation
Litigation & Alternative Dispute
Resolution
Startups

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Experience

- Assisted in obtaining summary judgment for large pharmacy benefit manager accused of wrongful termination of contract and assisted in successful negotiation of settlement on counterclaim against breaching pharmacy.
- Won summary judgment in class action lawsuit against Missouri Department of Corrections on behalf of inmates sentenced to life imprisonment as juveniles. Argued on behalf of class regarding constitutional remedies for defendant's violations of class' due process and Eighth Amendment rights.
- Assisted in obtaining voluntary dismissal of nationwide consumer fraud class action involving air ambulance services following removal to federal court and filing of early summary judgment motion.
- Obtained multimillion dollar judgment against former network pharmacy after repeated breaches of contract as part of arbitration team.

Recognition

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2021-2024
- Missouri Bar Pro Bono Wall of Fame, 2016-2021

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Education

- J.D., Washington University in St. Louis School of Law
 - o cum laude
 - o Global Studies Law Review, Managing Editor
 - o Scholar in Law Award
 - o Order of the Barristers
 - o Dean's List
 - o CALI award for Employment Discrimination
- B.A., The George Washington University
 - o magna cum laude
 - o International Affairs
 - o Dean's List
 - o International Development Concentration; Psychology Minor

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

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Community Leadership

Among her pro bono and volunteer work, Sarah is an active board member for Caring Solutions, an organization that provides services for individuals with developmental disabilities in connection with the Missouri Department of Mental Health.

- Caring Solutions, Board of Directors 2018-present
- Husch Blackwell Human Trafficking Clinic
- Missouri Civil Rights Coalition, Public Defender Program



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