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OVERVIEW

Jennifer supports the litigation needs of the firm's insurance clients.

Jennifer had just launched her legal career in the New Orleans area when Hurricane Katrina struck—bringing her a deluge of coverage disputes and other insurance matters. She quickly discovered that the practice area was a perfect fit for her detail-driven and precise mind and went on to devote her career to insurance and its myriad legal questions. With more than 15 years of experience in insurance law, Jennifer has provided counsel on a wide variety of coverage matters, prepared coverage opinions and represented both policyholders and insurance carriers in coverage disputes and litigation. Immediately prior to joining the firm, she served as inhouse coverage counsel to an insurance provider for five years.

At Husch Blackwell, Jennifer primarily drafts coverage opinions and coverage position letters addressing a variety of claims, including construction defect, employment practices, copyright infringement, professional malpractice, public entity liability and other availability of coverage questions. She works frequently with the firm's trial attorneys who focus on coverage disputes and supports the litigation needs of insurance carrier clients. Known as a highly detail-oriented professional, Jennifer is excited to dig into the intricacy of coverage cases, assembling the puzzle pieces of policy technicalities and claim facts.

Jennifer has built a strong reputation for her responsiveness and her dedication to getting clients a precise, correct answer. She's known as well for her in-house perspective: Jennifer's experience as coverage counsel means she readily exceeds clients' expectations. She understands firsthand what's most helpful in an

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outside counsel coverage opinion, as well as the importance of cautious language in written documents.

Experience

- As in-house coverage counsel to an insurance provider, drafted coverage opinions and coverage
 position letters addressing coverage issues arising out of a variety of claims, including
 construction defect, automobile/trucking losses, employment practices, copyright
 infringement, professional malpractice and public entity liability.
- As in-house coverage counsel to an insurance provider, served as a liaison between Claims
 Legal and Corporate Underwriting in connection with identifying and correcting potential
 ambiguities in current policy language.
- As in-house coverage counsel to an insurance provider, provided guidance and recommendations to Corporate Underwriting in connection with the preparation of manuscript policy forms and new product offerings.
- Prepared coverage opinion memoranda concerning the availability of coverage under CGL Policies, Business Auto Policies, Umbrella Policies, Errors & Omissions Policies and Professional Liability Policies.
- Assisted in drafting pleadings for insurance carriers in connection with declaratory judgment actions.
- Represented policyholders in disputes and litigation with insurance carriers involving a range
 of coverages, including commercial general liability, directors' and officers' liability,
 professional liability, employers' liability and environmental liability.
- Provided guidance to policyholders in connection with negotiating OCIP, CCIP and builder's risk policies.
- Represented policyholders in connection with first-party insurance claims, including claims for property damage, business interruption, expediting expenses and delay damages.

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Experience

- Resolved complex insurance coverage matters involving multi-year trigger and allocation, additional insured and contractual indemnity, as well as extra-contractual liability arising out of state-specific claim-handling guidelines and time limit demands.
- Advised on a variety of insurance coverage issues involving the laws of multiple states, including insuring agreement requirements, duty to defend and extra-contractual exposure.

Education

- J.D., Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center
- B.A., Central Washington University

Admissions

- Colorado
- Louisiana
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit

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