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OVERVIEW

Emily represents healthcare clients in a variety of business disputes and commercial litigation matters.

Emily brings close to 25 years of experience to her litigation-focused practice. She primarily handles commercial and business disputes, including breach of contract claims and business tort claims, although she also has experience with labor and employment matters, noncompete agreements, false advertising and consumer class action suits, anti-SLAPP motion practice, and probate litigation. Emily's main focus is representing the firm's Boston-area healthcare clients, including hospitals, health systems, physician groups, and other providers, in commercial litigation matters.

At the heart of nearly every piece of commercial litigation is the breakdown in some business relationship, whether based on contract or otherwise. Emily's passion is digging into the details, developing a narrative, and figuring out where a matter went wrong and how it can be fixed most effectively and efficiently for a client. An excellent, persuasive brief writer, Emily is known as a trusted counselor whose decades of experience have left her with sharply honed instincts to make the best calls to protect the client's interest. She works to resolve disputes before they go to trial so that clients avoid the risk and cost of full-blown litigation.

Eager to support large institutional clients, Emily joined Husch Blackwell thanks to its nationally ranked healthcare practice. She loves helping health systems and healthcare providers build longterm litigation strategies—and often prevent litigation in the first

Industries

Healthcare Life Sciences

Services

Commercial Litigation
Healthcare Litigation
Healthcare Providers
Litigation & Alternative Dispute
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place. With a reputation as an excellent listener, Emily provides practical, business-smart solutions customized to fit the client's needs.

Education

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center
 - o magna cum laude
- B.A., Bowdoin College
 - o summa cum laude

Admissions

- Massachusetts
- U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, District of New Hampshire

Community Leadership

- Wellesley Club; Director, present; Secretary, 2021-2024
- Wellesley Free Library Foundation, Board of Directors, 2020-2023
- The Boston Club, Board of Directors and Chair of Governance Committee, 2019-2022