

KATHARINE R. MCLAUGHLIN, Partner

Katharine R. McLaughlin is a partner in the firm's Litigation Department and a member of the Professional Responsibility Practice group. Ms. McLaughlin has robust experience defending lawyers and law firms in complex legal malpractice litigation, pre-suit investigations and resolutions and partnership disputes. In addition to professional negligence claims, she defends lawyers against claims of fraud, misrepresentation and aiding and abetting breach of fiduciary duty, among others. She also advises law firms with respect to complex legal ethics issues. Ms. McLaughlin has been named an Illinois Super Lawyer "Rising Star" in the area of Professional Liability for 2019, 2020, and 2021.

Ms. McLaughlin is a trial lawyer with a broad range of complex commercial litigation experience. She has contributed to important victories in multi-million dollar contract disputes, TCPA litigation, putative class actions and shareholder disputes in closely held companies. She has second-chaired two trials and has experience in all aspects of trial practice. Ms. McLaughlin has represented clients in both state and federal court, at both the trial and appellate levels, and in high-stakes internal investigations, arbitrations and mediations.

In addition to her private practice, Ms. McLaughlin maintains an active and varied pro bono practice that has included criminal appeals, civil rights disputes and immigration matters, among many others.

Ms. McLaughlin is admitted to practice in the state of Illinois. She is a member of the Chicago Bar Association and the American Bar Association, and she recently served as co-chair of the Young Lawyers Programming Committee of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. She also serves on Jenner & Block's Hiring Committee and is a member of the firm's Women's Forum.

Awards

- *Illinois Super Lawyers*
"Rising Star," Professional Liability and General Litigation, 2019 - 2021
- *Leading Lawyers Network*
"Emerging Lawyer" Commercial Litigation and Professional Malpractice Defense Law, 2017 - 2019

Service to the Bar

- American Bar Association
Member, Standing Committee on Professional Liability, 2021

Publications



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PRACTICE GROUPS

Class Action

Health Care

Litigation

Professional Responsibility

EDUCATION

University of Michigan Law School, JD, 2012; *magna cum laude*; Order of the Coif; Editor, *Michigan Law Review*

Vanderbilt University, BS, 2009; *summa cum laude*; Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

ADMISSIONS

Illinois, 2012

COURT ADMISSIONS

US District Court, Northern District of Illinois

US District Court, Northern District of Illinois (Trial Bar), 2019

- Author, “The Epidemic of Claims by Non-Clients Against Company Counsel, and What You Can Do About It,” *Bloomberg BNA*, April 30, 2019
- Co-Author, “Lessons Learned as a Lawyer’s Lawyer,” *ABA Commercial & Business Litigation Committee Spring 2018 Newsletter*, May 22, 2018
- Author, “When Life Happens, We Are Our Partner’s Keeper,” *Bloomberg BNA*, May 3, 2017
- Co-Author, “FCA Particularity Requirements are Relaxed Further,” *Law360*, September 24, 2014
- Co-Author, Client Alert: Eighth Circuit Relaxes Particularity Requirements for FCA Complaints, September 9, 2014

Speaking Engagements

- Moderator, “Lawyer Immunities (Liabilities) for Non-Client Tort Cases,” ABA Fall 2019 National Legal Malpractice Conference (San Diego, CA), September 12, 2019
- Co-Presenter, “Protecting Privileges,” Jenner & Block 2019 CLE Sprint (Chicago, IL), June 14, 2019
- Co-Presenter, “*In Pari Delicto* Update: Legal Malpractice Cases, Bankruptcy Trustees, & Receivers,” Annual Jenner & Block/ALAS Luncheon (Chicago, IL), February 22, 2019
- Co-Presenter, “Ethical Issues for In-House Counsel,” DePaul University (Chicago, IL), February 07, 2019
- Co-Presenter, “Email Hygiene and Attorney-Client Privilege,” Alight Solutions (Chicago, IL), November 12, 2018
- “Pro Bono Roundtable,” Northwestern Law School Women’s Leadership Coalition Women’s Symposium (Chicago, IL), February 13, 2018
- Co-Presenter, “Manage Your Risk with Concurrent Client Conflicts,” Lorman Education Services (live webinar), October 27, 2016
- Presenter, “Manage Your Risk with Concurrent Client Conflicts,” CBA Committee on Professional Responsibility (Chicago, IL), October 21, 2016
- Moderator, “Strategizing from the Start: Shaping Your Practice Early On,” Women’s Bar Association of Illinois (Chicago, IL), October 29, 2015