PARTNER

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Jessica leverages her exceptional knowledge and passion in litigation to assist clients in medical benefits/ERISA matters and business and commercial litigation.

Clients trust Jessica to guide them to comprehensive solutions. She is an experienced litigator focusing her practice on medical benefits/ERISA, construction, real estate litigation, property tax appeals, premises liability, and personal injury claims. has gained invaluable experience working with clients from various industries, including private entities, banking and financial institutions, insurance companies, colleges, school districts, park districts and villages.

Jessica is a former transactional attorney experienced in commercial real estate transactions, lease negotiation and corporate formation. Her experience in these areas uniquely equips her to excel as a litigator and gives her an advantage when navigating complex legal disputes and advocate effectively her for clients.

Jessica enjoys giving back to the community through pro bono legal services. She has donated significant time helping clients resolve litigated matters and volunteers with the firm's Deinard Legal Clinic.

PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Construction

Employee Benefits Litigation

Business Litigation

Real Estate Litigation

ADMISSIONS

Illinois, 2015

Minnesota, 2021

North Dakota, 2022

U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, 2021

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, 2023

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin, 2023

EDUCATION

Florida Coastal School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 2013

University of Minnesota, B.A., Sociology of Law, Criminology, and Deviance, 2010



When not working, Jessica likes hiking, biking, and enjoying the outdoors.

EXPERIENCE

Construction

Represents contractors, developers, and owners in litigation and dispute resolution including design and construction defect claims, payment disputes, bid protests, project delays, and invoking payment and performance bonds.

Assists clients with transactional work including, drafting and negotiating construction contracts, American Institute of Architects documents, such as owner/contractor agreements, owner/architect agreements, construction management agreements and general conditions, bid packages and requests for proposals.

Medical Benefits/ERISA

Represents insurers in claims for failure to pay health care benefits and wrongful denial of benefits under employee benefit plans.

Real Estate Litigation

Represents clients in various real estate disputes, including breach of contract, judicial and non-judicial foreclosure actions, evictions, title actions, zoning changes, condemnation actions, and easement disputes.

Property Tax

Represented both taxpayers and governmental bodies in commercial and residential tax appeals including nursing homes, big box retail, hotels, power plants, shopping centers, offices, auto body shops, apartment complexes, manufacturing plants, warehouses, farms and mines.

Successfully overturned an unfavorable decision from the Property Tax Appeal Board that misinterpreted a section of the Illinois Property Tax Code for supportive living facilities which resulted in a change of assessment of almost \$1 million.

Premise Liability/ Personal Injury

Conducted a comprehensive investigation of a boiler replacement incident that left an occupied building filled with smoke.



Resolved a large multimillion dollar personal injury suit against a corporation.

Represented property owners and insurance companies defending slip and fall claims.

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES

American Bar Association Forum on Construction Law

- Division 1 Steering Committee
- Division 1 Technology Liaison
- Assistant Editor-in-Chief of The Dispute Resolver
- ABA Forum on Construction Law 2024 Diversity Fellowship

Minnesota State Bar Association, Construction Law Section, Council Member

Federal Bar Association

Minnesota Women Lawyers

Leadership Council on Legal Diversity

NEWS

Jessica Knox Selected to ABA Forum on Construction Law Diversity Fellowship 03.19.2024

Six Attorneys Elected to Partnership at Stinson in 2024 01.09.2024

Stinson Attorneys Selected to LCLD 2023 Fellows and Pathfinder Programs 03.06.2023

Lindemann, Knox Author Article in ABA Forum on Construction Law's *Under Construction* 08.11.2022

MSBA Construction Law Section Elects Jessica Knox as New Council Member 07.01.2022

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Co-presenter, "2022 Construction Law Case Update," Minnesota State Bar Association, January 2023



Co-presenter, "2021 Construction Law Case Update," Minnesota State Bar Association, December 2021

"Property Tax Assessment Challenges and How to Defend Your Tax Base," PMA Financial Network, LLC, Chicago, Illinois, June 2020

"Construction Law 101," National Business Institute, Altoona, Wisconsin, December 2019

2023 Construction Law Update Stinson LLP, 02.23.2023

33rd Annual Construction Law Update 02.15.2022

PUBLICATIONS

Contributing author, "Compelling Subcontractor Participation in Owner-Contractor Arbitration Using a Joinder Clause," ABA Under Construction, Summer 2022

Contributing author, "Contagion Waivers as a COVID-19 Pandemic Risk Management Tool," Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, 2020

Contributing author, "Public Body Social Media Rules Make Retention, Ready Retrieval Imperative," Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, 2019

Contributing author, "How Far Does the Law Allow Schools to Go?" UPDATE Magazine, Illinois Association of School Business Officials, 2018

OSHA Launches National Emphasis Program and Revises Enforcement Procedures Related to COVID-19 03.15.2021

