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Biography

Serena Skala is a Partner with Clausen Miller P.C. in its professional liability department. Her practice is focused primarily on the areas of casualty/liability defense, construction litigation, legal malpractice, employment law, real estate, premises liability, products liability, professional negligence and personal injury matters. These areas involve the defense of a variety of professionals in both the State and Federal Courts, including attorneys, business owners, accountants, real estate management companies, architects, engineers, contractors, developers, directors and officers.

Serena is currently admitted to practice before New York and New Jersey State Courts as well as the U.S. District Courts of the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey. She is also a certified mediator, with experience mediating disputes in cases pending in both the New York State and New Jersey Court systems.

Prior to joining Clausen Miller P.C., Serena was a litigation associate with a national insurance defense law firm, where her practice also focused on defending claims against a variety of professionals, focusing mainly on attorneys. Serena began her legal career as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Thomas J. LaConte, J.S.C. in the Superior Court of New Jersey, County of Passaic. In this capacity, Serena assisted in writing decisions and opinions, many of which were later upheld by the New Jersey Appellate Court.

Serena received her undergraduate Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing from the Pennsylvania State University. Serena received her Juris Doctorate from Seton Hall University School of Law. During her time at Seton Hall, Serena was a member of the Civil Litigation Clinic where she represented home owners who were victims of fraudulent mortgage lending schemes. In this capacity, Serena assisted in obtaining dismissal of many of these actions.

Education

J.D. Seton Hall University, 2008

B.S. Marketing, The Pennsylvania State University, 2005 -- *Minors in Spanish*

Bar Admissions

New York

New Jersey

Court Admissions

State of New Jersey

New York State

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of
New York

U.S. District Court, Southern District of
New York

District Court of New Jersey

Matters of Note

Amtrust N. Am. v. KF&B, Inc.,

No. 17-cv-5340, 2020 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 199819 (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 27, 2020)