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## CHARLES WILLMES

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Charles Willmes has more than 25 years of experience in defense litigation. His practice focuses on complex litigation with an emphasis on premises liability and product liability matters. He regularly represents national retail and hospitality industry clients in litigation, including foodborne illness, liquor liability, and claims involving negligent security or criminal assaults by third parties. He also has extensive experience handling professional liability, trucking and other commercial vehicle accident cases, and crane accident litigation.

Charles has tried numerous cases to verdict in state and federal courts in Washington. He has resolved cases in arbitration and mediation and has served as an arbitrator for King County Superior Court.

### PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation  
Personal & Catastrophic Injury Litigation  
Product Liability  
Professional Liability

### EDUCATION

- University of California, Hastings College of the Law – J.D., *cum laude*, 1993
- American Jurisprudence Award – Remedies
- University of Redlands – B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1990

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Washington, 1993

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

### AWARDS AND HONORS

- Named as a “Rising Star” in Washington Super Lawyers (2007 — Personal Injury Defense: Products)