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WESTIN MCLEAN

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Westin McLean has been advising and representing insurance companies, individuals, and businesses in complex matters and litigation since 2009. As a seasoned litigator, he has a reputation for his knowledge of the law and ability to resolve contentious insurance coverage claims that involve many nuances and substantial risk. He brings extensive experience providing coverage opinions and claims handling advice to national and regional insurance carriers regarding all types of property, casualty, automobile, commercial trucking, specialty, builder's risk, professional liability, and general liability policies.

Westin has handled a wide range of litigated actions involving first and third-party insurance coverage, declaratory judgments, covenant judgments, bad faith claims, COVID-19 insurance claims, commercial accidents, and personal injury claims in both state and federal courts. He has also prepared and successfully argued dozens of dispositive trial motions as well as handled multiple appeals from beginning to end. His experience and skills have allowed him to achieve favorable resolutions for hundreds of claims and filed actions through litigation, direct negotiation, and all forms of alternative dispute resolution.

Out of law school, Westin began his career as an associate at one of the largest insurance defense firms in Portland. He later worked with a boutique insurance coverage firm in Seattle. Having been involved in numerous depositions, arbitrations, litigated actions, and mediations early on in his career better prepared him for resolving disputes today.

PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation
Insurance Coverage
Personal & Catastrophic Injury Litigation

EDUCATION

- University of Oregon, School of Law - J.D., *Order of the Coif*, 2009
- University of Oregon - B.S. in Business Administration, *cum laude*, 2006

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Washington, 2013
- Oregon, 2009

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington, 2021
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington, 2015
- U.S. District Court, District of Oregon, 2010

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Oregon Association of Defense Counsel (Member)

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Selected for inclusion in Washington Super Lawyers (2021 & 2020 — Insurance Coverage)
- Named as a “Rising Star” in Washington Super Lawyers (2019, 2018 & 2017 — Insurance Coverage)
- Named as a “Rising Star” in Oregon Super Lawyers (2016, 2015 & 2014 — Personal Injury General: Defense)

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Co-Presenter, “Construction Insurance,” Insurance Law Summit (2016)
- Presenter, “Legal Ethics in Bad Faith Litigation,” NBI Bad Faith Insurance Claims in Washington (2019)
- Co-Presenter, “Ethical Issues Arising from Insurance Claims & Representation,” TSG Northwest Insurance Law (2020)