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#### PRACTICE AREAS

Contaminants & Toxic Tort
Environmental Law
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Product Liability & Tort Litigation
Superfund

#### **COURT MEMBERSHIPS**

Missouri

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2016

University of Central Missouri, B.A., summa cum laude, 2013

# Kayla A. Brewe

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Kayla Brewe handles complex litigation matters involving product liability, environmental, and toxic tort claims. She has significant experience defending Fortune 500 companies as national counsel in large-scale and serial litigation, often involving extensive property damage. Her national practice includes engaging in alternative dispute resolution by negotiating settlements and participating in mediations to resolve technical and complex disputes.

Recently, Kayla's practice has been focused on litigating environmental claims in administrative, state, and federal courts, including Superfund sites and odor nuisance class actions. She also assists with contribution claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund) and state counterparts.

Prior to joining the firm, Kayla spent a significant amount of time defending manufacturers of medical devices and fire protection systems in product liability litigation. As a litigator, Kayla conducts initial case assessments and legal research, drafts pleadings and motions, manages discovery, takes depositions, and develops expert testimony. Kayla's litigation experience also includes managing several pro bono cases involving guardianships and 42 U.S.C. § 1983 claims.

Previously, Kayla worked for the Honorable Glenn Norton in the Eastern District of the Missouri Court of Appeals, where she drafted opinions and summaries, conducted legal research, and attended oral arguments.



While in law school, Kayla was consistently recognized for effectively communicating her arguments, receiving numerous awards each year.

## **Publications**

 Author, "Timing is Not on Your Side: Missouri Retroactively Limits Punitive Damages," 22 J. Envtl. &Sustainability L. 92 2015.

## In The News

 Law360 Mentions Lathrop GPM Attorneys in Recent Article February 2, 2024

## **News Releases**

- Lathrop GPM Strengthens Tort, Insurance & Environmental Practice with Four Additions, Three Promotions January 18, 2024
- Lathrop GPM Adds Six Attorneys in Environmental & Tort Practice Group March 4, 2021

### **Honors**

- Order of Barristers
- Judge J.F. Cottey Advocacy Award
- CALI Excellence for the Future Awards (Advocacy & Research, Jury Instructions, Evidence, Pre-Trial Litigation, Contract Drafting, Negotiation)