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Shoshanah is an associate in the Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice Group. Her practice includes commercial and business litigation in state and federal courts, employment litigation defending employers in Missouri and Illinois, and financial services disputes in state and federal courts. Across these various fields, Shoshanah's commitment to excellent client service is at the heart of her work. Shoshanah is a staunch advocate for her clients, focusing on the client's best interest even before litigation begins. Shoshanah understands litigation is not always the best route for clients and has successfully resolved matters prior to litigation through mediation and pre-litigation settlements.

Shoshanah has first-chaired litigation through depositions and trial. She has served as the second-chair as well, expanding her experience with direct and cross examination, jury selection, and pre and post-trial motion practice. Shoshanah sees her cases through the appeal process; she has argued in front of the Missouri Court of Appeals and has drafted appeals for state and federal courts. Shoshanah uses her honed and incisive written advocacy skills when drafting motions, strong demand and settlement letters, and appellate briefs.

As a former petitioners' advocate in domestic violence courtrooms, Shoshanah brings her experience and knowledge of gender-based violence to her pro bono representation of individuals seeking orders of protection. Shoshanah is passionate about her pro bono work and regularly acts as appointed counsel to incarcerated individuals bringing Section 1983 claims.

Shoshanah is a co-chair of Lathrop GPM's LGBTQ+ Allies Inclusion Network and serves as a member of the firm's Recruitment Committee. While in law school,

Areas of Focus

Services

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Shoshanah externed for the U.S. Attorneys' Office of the Eastern District of Missouri, where she second chaired her first jury trial, drafted and argued motions, and assisted with investigations. Prior to joining the firm as an associate, Shoshanah was a 1L and 2L summer associate with legacy Lathrop Gage.

Outside of work, Shoshanah enjoys training for half marathons in Forest Park, cooking with vegetables she finds at local farmers' markets, and trying out local restaurants.

Experience

- Representation of commercial lenders nationwide in commercial payment enforcement including pre-litigation recovery, replevin of assets, litigation and post-judgment collection of commercial debt.
- Representation of small and large businesses involving a range of issues including contractual obligations, franchise-related disputes, and employment discrimination.
- Representation of individuals in disputes involving beneficiaries and distribution of assets.

Credentials

Education

- Washington University School of Law, J.D., 2020, cum laude
- Washington University St. Louis, B.A., Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies; History, 2017, with university honors

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- Missouri

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Recognition

- Diversity & Inclusion Award Honoree, *Missouri Lawyers Media*, 2022
 - CALI Awards
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Presentations

- Co-Moderator, "Diverse Perspectives from the Bench," Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, June 24, 2021
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Professional Activities

- Culture, Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Committee Member