



*With both our retail and litigation clients, I work hard to find efficient, practical solutions to every issue.*

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### **PRACTICE**

I practice with both the litigation and retail groups. As a litigator, my work ranges from complex insurance coverage litigation to landlord-tenant disputes. I also love working with our retail clients, especially on individual leasing deals as well as large transactions, such as acquisitions, sales, re-branding, and closure of chains.

### **EDUCATION**

Seattle University School of Law, J.D., 2011, *summa cum laude*

- *Seattle University Law Review*, Lead Articles Editor
- Mark E. Reutlinger Excellence in Legal Writing Award, Finalist
- Niagara International Moot Court Competition, First Runner Up, Best Brief
- James E. Bond Moot Court Competition, Semi-finalist
- Research Assistant to Professor Catherine O'Neill

Bowdoin College, B.A. in Government and Legal Studies, 2002

- Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholar
- Public Interest Career Fund Summer Fellow

### **EXPERIENCE**

In the dispute resolution realm, I have significant experience working on complex insurance coverage litigation and other commercial disputes, including disputes involving our retail clients. I have also reviewed thousands of leases and other documents for our retail clients, both in connection with negotiation of new leases and in connection with strategizing for sales, acquisitions, and potential litigation.

My retail work is, in many ways, a continuation of the five years I spent working as a paralegal with Opus' Retail Practice Group before I attended law school. In that capacity, I frequently reviewed leases and other documents to ensure they met our clients' needs, and I participated in and helped manage a number of large due diligence reviews in connection with the acquisition, sale, re-branding, and licensing of retail chains. That work provided a broad and useful platform for my retail leasing practice, which includes considerable experience in due diligence projects and handling numerous leases for national and regional retailers.

At the outset of my career as a lawyer, it was my pleasure to clerk briefly for the Honorable Anita L. Farris of the Snohomish County Superior Court. I also worked as a judicial extern for the Honorable Ronald B. Leighton of the United States District Court, Western District of Washington.