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POSITION

Partner, Litigation Group

EDUCATION

SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Boston, MA
J.D., cum laude, 1997

TUFTS UNIVERSITY, Medford, MA
B.A. in Political Science and Spanish, 1992, Dean's List

UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA, Salamanca, Spain
1990-1991

PREVIOUS PRACTICE AND EXPERIENCE

POSTERNAK, BLANKSTEIN & LUND LLP, Boston, MA
Litigation Associate, 2001- 2004

HANIFY & KING, P.C., Boston, MA
Litigation Associate, 1998-2001

SUPERIOR COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS, Boston, MA
Law Clerk to the Justices, 1997-1998

TEACH FOR AMERICA, Warrenton, NC
Taught for two years in regional middle school in rural North Carolina as a Teach for America corps member.

DESCRIPTION OF PRACTICE

Katherine Kenney has experience in a broad range of complex civil and commercial litigation matters in state and federal court. She has represented lawyers and other professionals in jury and non-jury trials in malpractice claims, bad faith litigation and insurance coverage disputes. Ms. Kenney has also defended products liability, premises liability, personal injury and wrongful death claims. She also has extensive experience in alternative dispute resolution, including mediation.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

American Bar Association
Massachusetts Bar Association
Boston Bar Association

BAR ADMISSIONS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1997
United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, 1998
United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, 1998

REPRESENTATIVE CASES & DECISIONS

Overbaugh v. Berkshire Bank, et. al., United States Court of Appeal for the First Circuit, No. 09-1800 (Dec. 16, 2009) (unpublished) (affirming grant of summary judgment in favor of defendant-attorney in a case arising from a commercial banking transaction)

In Re: Estate of Barbara I. Dignard, Worcester Probate Court, No. 07E-81 (Feb. 23, 2009) (unpublished) (declaratory judgment in favor of defendant-attorney after trial of claims of legal malpractice arising from preparation of estate planning documents)

Nolin v. Paolino, Bristol Superior Court, No. 03-0054 (September 27, 2006) (defense verdict in favor of defendant-attorney after jury trial of claims of legal malpractice based on attorney's involvement in a residential real estate purchase with a open cloud on title)

Drew, Sr. v. Drew, Jr., Norfolk Superior Court No. 03-2262 (October 14, 2004) (defense verdict in favor of defendant-attorney after jury trial of claims of legal malpractice based on attorney's estate planning work for plaintiff)

Rodriguez v. Cambridge Housing Authority, 59 Mass.App.Ct. 127 (2003) (premises liability, affirming grant of summary judgment in favor of defendant housing authority)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITIONS

Massachusetts *SuperLawyers*, Rising Star 2007-2010

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Representing a Client with Diminished Capacity" (MCLE 2011)

"Ethical Advertising for Legal Services" (LOMAP 2011)

"Legal Obligations of Insurers and Their Lawyers When Negotiating Claims," (Boston Bar Association 2010)

"Understanding Your Professional Liability Policy" (Real Estate Bar Association, 2009)

"Estate Planning Basics Plus" – Section on Malpractice Avoidance (MCLE 2010)

"Thriving in Challenging Times" (Boston Bar Assoc., June 2010)