



# Alexandra Pruitt

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## **RELATED SERVICES**

- Commercial Litigation
- Environmental & Toxic Tort

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# **OFFICES**

Chicago

## **OVERVIEW**

Alexandra "Ally" Pruitt is an attorney in the Chicago office of GRSM whose practice includes employment, commercial litigation, ERISA, and environmental & toxic tort litigation in federal and state court. She has successfully litigated, mediated, and negotiated a variety of cases on behalf of her clients before administrative agencies, including the IDHR and EEOC, and in various courts across the country. Ally frequently provides forward-thinking counseling to employers, including drafting and implementing anti-discrimination policies and procedures, discipline, work performance policies, leave policies and workplace accommodations. In her commercial litigation practice, she represents clients at each turn of the litigation process, keeping each client's unique needs in mind. Ally has successfully resolved a multitude of cases through arbitration and mediation, as well as prepared cases for trial.

In addition to her practice, Ally is an Adjunct Professor at her alma mater, UIC School of Law. She



graduated from the institution Magna Cum Laude in 2021, as well as earned two CALI awards for her top grades in Constitutional Law II and International Commercial Dispute Resolution. In 2020, Ally was named the National Law Student of the Year by National Jurist Magazine, an honor given to just one student in the country each year. While in law school, Ally externed at the Illinois Appellate Court – First District with Justice Carl A. Walker, the Cook County Public Defender's Office – Homicide Task Force, and at the Chicago Transit Authority. She gained significant research experience as a research assistant for Professor of Law Hugh Mundy and spent two full years as a Student Attorney in the school's Pro Bono Litigation Clinic, where she appeared in front of the Illinois Prisoner Review Board, worked with the wrongfully convicted, and assisted with adoptions in circuit court.

Prior to law school, Ally earned her bachelor's degree in Journalism from DePaul University. Her focus was on sports broadcast, which led to her employment at NBC Sports Chicago where she worked throughout law school.

Outside of her legal work, Ally is the CEO/Founder of The Impact Project, a 501(c)(3) organization aimed at impacting the lives of youth in underserved communities by providing resources, mentorship and guidance. As a pillar of the mission, Ally and her team work directly with first-generation students across the United States to provide scholarship and mentorship.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

Looking Ahead: Emerging Trends and Risks in the Life Sciences Sector, Client Presentation (May 2024)

#### **CREDENTIALS**

#### **Admissions**

• Illinois

### **Memberships**

Chicago Bar Association

# **Community Involvement**

• CEO/Founder of The Impact Project, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization aimed at impacting the lives of youth in underserved communities by providing resources, mentorship and guidance.

#### **Education**

- J.D., UIC School of Law, May 2021
  - Magna Cum Laude
  - National Jurist Magazine's National Law Student of the Year 2020-21
  - CALI awards in Constitutional Law II & International Commercial Dispute Resolution
  - Emerging Leader Award



- B.A., Journalism, with a double-major in Sociology Law, Crime and Criminology, DePaul University, June 2018
  - Cum Laude
  - Outstanding Achievement in Journalism Award
  - President of the Society of Professional Journalists DePaul Chapter

# **Honors**

- National Jurist Magazine's National Law Student of the Year 2020-21
- CALI Awards for Constitutional Law II and International Commercial Dispute Resolution