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OVERVIEW

Jessica Lucas's broad commercial litigation experience includes defending claims under consumer protection and unfair competition statutes and representing and advising clients in business disputes, product liability matters, and employment disputes involving claims under the ADA, ADEA, Title VII, and corresponding state statutes. Her practice also focuses on helping clients navigate the legal issues confronted by healthcare providers, specifically, long-term care facilities. A significant portion of Jessica's practice is within the construction industry, where she assists clients in matters concerning lien issues, payment disputes, and defect claims.

Before joining GRSM, Jessica practiced at a small personal injury firm and clerked for the Honorable Ronald Folino in the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. She also completed a legal study abroad program in Beijing, China, an experience that reaffirmed her passion for international

travel and has been an asset to practicing in an increasingly globalized society.

Through effective litigation strategies and creative briefing, Jessica is often able to obtain early dismissals or resolve claims for a fraction of early demands. She currently practices before state and federal courts in Pennsylvania.

Jessica is skilled and innovative in her quest for positive outcomes for her clients, and she is dedicated to helping her clients resolve legal challenges and manage risk. She brings to the table her experience, people skills, and common sense to provide superior litigation strategy in alignment with her clients' business goals. Jessica strives to provide counsel beyond expectations and build lasting relationships. Above all, she is a problem solver who seeks to identify her clients' goals and achieve those goals as efficiently and effectively as possible.

PUBLICATIONS

- The Triangle Shirt Waist Factory Fire: Transforming Labor Laws and Workers' Rights, *Juris Magazine*, 2011
- Education Reform in Pittsburgh's Public Schools: Will it Make the Grade?, *Juris Magazine*, 2011
- 18 U.S.C. §924(c)(1)(A)(iii) Does Not Require Proof of Intent To Discharge a Firearm In Order To Impose a Ten-Year Sentencing Enhancement On a Defendant: *Dean v. United States*, *Duquesne University Criminal Law Journal*

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- U.S. District Courts, Western and Middle Districts of Pennsylvania

Community Involvement

- Braddock Carnegie Library Association, Governance Committee
- St. Jude Hospital Give Thanks Walk, Pittsburgh Recruitment Chair, 2013

Education

- J.D., *cum laude*, Duquesne University School of Law, 2011
- B.A., *cum laude*, Marketing and International Business, University of Pittsburgh, 2008

Clerkships

- Honorable Ronald W. Folino in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas

Honors

- *Best Lawyers in America*® Ones to Watch distinction in Commercial Litigation (2022-2025)