



## Whitney I. Kohler

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Employment
- Commercial Litigation

### OFFICES

- Seattle

### OVERVIEW

Whitney I. Kohler practices complex commercial litigation. She has litigated contractual and business disputes, intellectual property, and employment matters. Whitney has significant trial experience in both federal and state courts, as well as private arbitration. She also advises clients on a variety of business issues.

### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Obtained favorable settlement in mediation on behalf of employee in age discrimination case against global technology company, avoiding litigation.
- Negotiated favorable settlement on behalf of a technology startup in litigation against former employees who misappropriated trade secrets and provided them to a key competitor. Secured rights to client's exclusive ownership of valuable intellectual property and payment flowing from sales of competitor's infringing products.

- Represented memorabilia company in federal court litigation against sports and entertainment company involving claims of trademark infringement, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of nondisclosure agreement, and misappropriation of trade secrets. Obtained favorable settlement for client in mediation shortly before trial.
- Successfully defended majority owner in automobile company against claims by bank to enforce guaranty of secured promissory note. Managed extensive discovery phase and co-tried case in arbitration. Secured dismissal of all claims and award of 100% of client's attorneys' fees and costs of defense.

## CREDENTIALS

### Admissions

- Washington
- Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

### Memberships

- Washington State Bar Association
- Wisconsin Bar

### Education

- J.D., cum laude, Seattle University School of Law, 2004
  - Associate Editor of Law Review
  - CALI Award for Excellence in Legal Writing
- B.A., English, University of Washington, 2000

### Honors

- *Super Lawyers*® Rising Star (2009, 2013-2018)