



**Linnea J. Spens**

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Linnea's practice at BB&L focuses on medical malpractice defense. As a board-certified general surgeon who practiced at a high-level care center prior to obtaining her Juris Doctorate, Linnea brings a truly unique perspective to the firm and to our clients. She is passionate about providing healthcare to underserved communities, having worked at critical access hospitals on the Navajo reservation, and providing healthcare at satellite clinics and free-standing operating rooms in Guatemala. It was through these work experiences that she was exposed to a broad range of health care issues in a variety of rural and urban settings. Her prior surgical experience includes surgical oncology, thoracic surgery, colorectal surgery, breast surgery, foregut surgery, hernia repair, biliary tract surgery, trauma surgery, and limited vascular surgery. This distinctive combination of law and medicine make Linnea a natural fit for medical malpractice defense.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Bennett Bigelow & Leedom, P.S., January 2020 – present
- Floyd, Pflueger, & Ringer, 2017 – 2019
- Northwest Health Law Advocates, Summer 2016
- Highline Medical Group, *General Surgeon/Surgical Hospitalist*, 2009 – 2015
- South Sound Surgery, *General Surgeon*, April – December 2009
- Indian Health Services, *General Surgeon*, 2008 – 2009

**PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- American Board of Surgery
- Washington Medical License
- American College of Surgeons
- Association of Women Surgeons

## **EDUCATION**

**Seattle University School of Law**, Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, 2018

**University of Minnesota**, General Surgery Residency, 2008

**West Virginia University School of Medicine**, Doctorate of Medicine, 2002

**West Virginia University**, Bachelor of Arts in Biology, *cum laude*, 1997

## **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

Washington State Bar Association

American Bar Association