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Erica’s practice focuses on the defense of hospitals, physicians, and other providers against claims of medical negligence. She also represents physicians and other providers before administrative and disciplinary boards. In addition, she advises and defends hospitals in credentialing and medical staff privileges matters. Erica has experience in all aspects of medical negligence litigation, including jury trials. In addition to trial practice, Erica has successfully briefed and argued appellate matters in the Washington State Court of Appeals. She has been recognized by Super Lawyers as a ‘Rising Star’ every year since 2017.

Erica received her undergraduate education from Willamette University. She then attended the University of Chicago Law School. Following law school, Erica clerked for Justice Jim Johnson and Chief Justice Barbara Madsen of the Washington State Supreme Court.

Erica is licensed to practice in Washington and Idaho.

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Of Counsel, Bennett Bigelow & Leedom, P.S. 2022-Present
- Witherspoon Kelley 2018-2022
  - Shareholder, 2019-2022
  - Associate, 2018-2019
- Associate, Floyd Pflueger & Ringer 2014-2018
- Clerk for the Hon. Jim Johnson, Washington State Supreme Court 2012-2014

#### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

- Selected to the Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch list, 2021-2022  
Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Selected to the Washington *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*® list, 2017-2024

## **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Washington Health Care Risk Management Association, Former Board Member
- Washington Women Lawyers
- Washington Women Lawyers Judicial Evaluation Committee
- Washington State Society of Healthcare Attorneys
- Spokane County Bar Association

## **PUBLICATIONS AND SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

- “*Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA)*,” Astria Medical Staff Training, 2019
- “*Credentialing and Competency: A hospital’s scope of liability*,” Washington Health Care Risk Management Society, Eastern Washington Education Session, 2019
- “*Medical negligence litigation: Best practices to avoid it and what happens when you can’t*,” Providence Anesthesia, Sacred Health Medical Center, 2019
- “*Medical Malpractice Case Law Update*,” Washington State Society of Healthcare Attorneys Spring Conference, 2016
- “*Supreme Court Update: Attorney-Client Privilege*,” Floyd, Pflueger & Ringer, 2016
- “*State Supreme Court: Compelling Briefs and Arguments*,” Floyd, Pflueger & Ringer, 2014

## **EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES**

**University of Chicago Law School**, Juris Doctor, 2012

**Willamette University**, B.A., Economics, *magna cum laude*, 2008

## **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

Washington State Bar Association

Idaho State Bar

United States District Court, Eastern District of Washington

United State District Court, Western District of Washington

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals