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Provide analysis, research, writing, discovery assistance, and strategic assessment of complex commercial litigation and appellate matters to lawyers, law firms, and in-house legal departments

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

- Successfully represented Starbucks Corporation at trial obtaining a permanent injunction against trademark infringement.
- Represented largest potato grower in the United States in a \$3 million lawsuit alleging breaches of contract and warranty related to a failure of 14 industrial pumps to supply sufficient water for crop irrigation.
- Achieved defense verdict on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers in \$2 million jury trial for public accounting malpractice action.
- Defended major credit card company in numerous lawsuits alleging claims of fraud, negligence, and violation of federal banking statutes; all either dismissed or successfully settled.
- Conducted internal investigation for IBM in response to complaint alleging \$1 million in damages for breach of contract, which resulted in *plaintiff* paying IBM \$75,000 to settle the litigation.
- Represented Qwest in challenge to municipally-imposed fees in excess of rates permitted by Oregon statutory law.
- Wrote *amicus curiae* brief in support of petition for certiorari to the United States Supreme Court on behalf of wood products trade association regarding regulatory takings issue.
- Represented national travel center in administrative and appellate proceedings challenging ODOT's denial of highway access permit.
- Obtained summary judgment on behalf of Bally Total Fitness, defeating claims for breach of contract, fraud, and violation of Oregon securities laws.
- Successfully represented Democratic Party plaintiffs in trial to determine congressional redistricting boundaries after the 2000 census.
- Represented mining company in lawsuit against Port of Portland for breach of contract and CERCLA violations arising from delivery of contaminated fill material.
- Represented pension fund in action seeking specific performance of a settlement agreement in which defendants had agreed to undertake environmental remediation; successful settlement immediately prior to trial.
- Spearheaded all discovery on behalf of a defendant in the Capital Consultants consolidated securities litigation, encompassing approximately 500,000 documents.
- Negotiated dozens of settlement agreements.
- Advised clients regarding all aspects of commercial litigation matters.
- Counseled clients and coordinated responses to all variety of discovery subpoenas, including requests for production of documents, requests for admissions, and requests for interrogatories.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Elizabeth Schwartz, Attorney at Law Professional Contract Attorney, 2008 – present	Portland, OR
Perkins Coie, LLP Partner, 2003 – 2007 Associate, 1997 – 2002	Portland, OR
Miller, Nash, Wiener, Hager and Carlsen, LLP Associate, 1995 – 1997	Portland, OR
Hon. Ferdinand F. Fernandez, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Law Clerk, 1994 – 1995	Pasadena, CA

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law, J.D., with honors Order of the Coif Associate Editor, <i>Texas Law Review</i>	1994
Rice University, B.A., English/Political Science, <i>magna cum laude</i> Phi Beta Kappa	1990

CIVIC/PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

- Oregon State Bar President's Membership Service Award, 2008
- Oregon Public Broadcasting, Chair, 2011 – 2013; Vice-Chair, 2009 – 2011; Board of Directors, 2007 – 2016
- Oregon Area Jewish Committee, President, 2009 – 2011; Board of Directors, 2008 – 2011
- Oregon State Board of Bar Examiners, Chair, 2006 – 2007; Member, 2004 – 2007
- Jewish Federation of Portland, Board of Directors, 2003 – 2005
- Oregon Women Lawyers, President, 2002 – 2003; Board of Directors, 1997 – 2003
- American Cancer Society, Portland Metro Board of Directors, 1998 – 2000