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Main Bio

Chariese Solorio focuses her practice in product liability litigation, defending motor vehicle manufacturers in complex negligence and product liability cases involving catastrophic personal injuries and wrongful death. She has litigated a wide array of disputes in both federal and state courts. Prior to joining Snell & Wilmer, Chariese represented California public entities in defending against a variety of allegations, including general torts, wrongful death, civil rights, and premises and personal injury liability.

Representative Experience

- Defended large automobile manufacturer in toxic tort case
- Defend a seaport public entity in slip and fall personal injury claim
- Assist in the defense of a natural ingredient manufacturer in claims of deceptive labeling and fraud
- Defended water heater manufacturer against negligence and product liability claims
- Represent American multinational telecommunications company with nationwide litigation matters involving breach of contract for telecommunications services
- Defended the distributor of electric powered scooters against allegations of personal injury related to the design of the scooter
- Defended large automobile manufacturers in cases involving wrongful death claims involving allegations related to vehicle design
- Defended American multinational automaker against allegations of personal injury as a result of air bag deployment
- Defended American multinational automaker against allegations of personal injury and wrongful death related to vehicle rollovers
- Assisted in the defense of a manufacturer of motorcycles and other motorized vehicles and products against allegations of negligence and product liability related to injuries resulting from the rollover of an off-road vehicle
- Represented an assisted living facility in its defense of a class action involving allegations of fraud related to claims of insufficient staffing
- Represented individuals applying for a U nonimmigrant visa
- Represented individuals seeking Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ) classification and lawful permanent residency

Education

- University of California, Irvine School of Law (J.D.)
 - o Staff Editor, UC Irvine Law Review
 - Participant, Moot Court
 - o Pro Bono Honors
 - Secretary/Treasurer, Criminal Law Society
 - o Sponsorship Committee Member, Public Interest Law Fund
 - Latina/o Law Students Association
- University of California, Los Angeles (B.A., Political Science)
 - UCLA Bunche Scholar
 - o College of Letters and Sciences Honors Program

Professional Memberships & Activities

- American Bar Association
- Hispanic Bar Association of Orange County (2014-Present)
 - o Board of Directors (2019-2022)
- Orange County Bar Association
- Snell & Wilmer Community Involvement Committee

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "Section 998's Cost-Shifting Provisions May Apply When Case Ends in Settlement," Co-Author, Snell
 Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 27, 2023)
- "Component-Part Manufacturers Are Not Required to Indemnify Retail Sellers Under California's
 Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act Unless Express Warranty Is Provided," Co-Author, Snell &
 Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 25, 2023)
- "Purchasers of Vehicles from Private Party Sellers Have No Standing Under the Song-Beverly
 Consumer Warranty Act," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 24, 2023)
- "California Supreme Court Clarifies Possible Lemon Law Damages," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 19, 2023)
- "California Supreme Court Limits Consumer Lemon Law Protection to Vehicles Purchased in California," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 17, 2023)
- "A Deeper Dive into FDA Draft Guidance on the Remanufacturing of Medical Devices," Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update (March 4, 2022)
- "Increasing U.S. Software Developers' Global Competitive Advantage: Bureau of Industry and Security Eases Export Administration Regulations for Certain Encryption Items," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (April 7, 2021)
- "<u>United States Supreme Court Tackles Personal Jurisdiction</u>," Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update (December 7, 2020)
- "Clarifying the Difference Between Medical Device Servicing and Remanufacturing," Co-Presenter, DRI Webinar (July 31, 2020)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Star, Personal Injury Products: Defense (2023)
- Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Star, Product Liability (2022)
- 2021 Top Young Diverse Lawyers of OC, Orange County Coalition for Diversity in the Law (2021)

Community Involvement

- Public Law Center, Pro Bono Attorney (2019-Present)
- Orange County Coalition for Diversity in the Law (2019-Present)
 - Mentorship Program, Law School Mentor (2020-Present)
- Project Youth OCBF, Associate Board Member (2019-Present)
 - Secretary (2021)
 - o Treasurer (2020)
- Higher Education Mentoring Program, High School Student Mentor (2019-Present)
- UCI Law Pro Bono Program
 - U-Visa Project Volunteer (2019-Present)
- Constitutional Rights Foundation-Orange County
 - Mock Trial Judge (2020)
 - Career Forum Speaker (2019)
- Kids in Need of Defense, Pro Bono Attorney (2017-Present)
- OC Head Start, Board Member (2021-Present)

Previous Professional Experience

- Lynberg & Watkins, Associate (2015-2018)
- Orange County District Attorney (2014)
- California Court of Appeal, Judicial Extern to Justice Richard Aronson (2013)
- Arent Fox LLP, Compliance Clerk (2010-2012)
- Venable LLP, Compliance Clerk (2008-2010)

Bar Admissions

California

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of California
- United States District Court, Central District of California
- United States District Court, Eastern District of California