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Main Bio

Tanya Lewis focuses her practice on commercial litigation, emphasizing the financial services industry. She regularly represents major financial institutions in disputes involving federal and state consumer protection statutes, breach of contract issues and tort law claims and lender and servicer liability related to mortgage lending, loan servicing, foreclosure and credit issues. Tanya has experience defending financial institutions from claims involving fraud and misrepresentation, wrongful foreclosure, Truth in Lending Act (TILA), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), and the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA).

Prior to joining Snell & Wilmer, Tanya defended parties in personal injury and commercial litigation matters in Salt Lake City and also practiced family law. Prior to relocating to Utah, Tanya defended insurance companies and self-insured common carriers in insurance defense litigation for approximately five years at a regional firm in Las Vegas.

Education

- Seattle University School of Law (J.D., 1999)
- University of Washington (B.A., Communications/Political Science, 1996)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- State Bar of Utah
 - Bar Examiners Committee (2011-present)
 - Co-Chair (2014-present)
 - Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee (2009-2011)
 - Public Relations Coordinator
- Utah Supreme Court Rules of Evidence Advisory Committee (2011-2015)
- Communique (monthly publication of Clark County Bar Association) (2004-2009)
 - Editor-in-Chief (2009)
 - Associate Editor (2005-2008)
 - Contributing Editor (2004-2005)

Representative Presentations & Publications

- Appearances as legal analyst on local and national television news programs to discuss pertinent legal issue of the day (2011-present)
- "Immigration Issues and Personal Injury Cases," Presenter, Utah Defense Lawyers Association (February 2013)
- "Bankruptcy Filings and Judicial Estoppel: Their Effect on Civil Cases," Presenter, Utah Defense Lawyers Association (November 2011)
- "Ethics and Social Media," Presenter, Orange Legal Intermountain e-Discovery Seminar (September 2011)
- "Objecting to Subpoenas in State and Federal Cases," Author, Utah State Bar Journal (June 2011)
- "Taking and Defending Effective Depositions Pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6)," Author, Utah State Bar Journal (March 2011)
- "Bankruptcy Filings and Judicial Estoppel: Their Effect on Civil Cases," Author, U.S. Law Magazine (Spring 2010)
- "Introduction to the Medicare Secondary Payer Recovery Act," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (April 2010)
- "Changes to the CJC: The American Bar Association Revises the Model Code of Judicial Conduct," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (October 2008)
- "Summary Eviction in Nevada's Justice Courts," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (August 2008)
- "Putting Together The Pieces of Civil Discovery," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (June/July 2008)
- "Bankruptcy as a Silver Bullet - Principles of Judicial Estoppel Impact Personal Injury Claims," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (August 2006)
- "HIPAA Basics: A Guide for the Uninitiated," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (June/July 2006)
- "It Happened in 1955 - Clark County Bar Association Celebrates 50 Years," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (March-December 2005)
- "Pro Bono Project: An Interview with Kimberly Mucha," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (December 2004)
- "Introduction to the 2005 NRCP Rules Changes," Author, Clark County Bar Association Communique (November 2004)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Mountain State Super Lawyers[®], Business Litigation (2016), Family Law (2014-2015)
 - Rising Stars Edition (2013)
- Utah Legal Elite: Civil Litigation, Utah Business Magazine (2016)
 - Up and Coming (2017)

Community Involvement

- Herriman Ute Conference Youth Football, Member, Board of Directors (2016-present)
- Eastlake Elementary PTA, South Jordan, Utah

- President (2016-2017)
- Vice President, Fundraising and Donations (2015-2016)
- Vice President, Membership and Volunteers (2013-2014)

Other Professional Experience

- Richards Brandt Miller Nelson, Shareholder (2012-2015), Associate (2010-2011)
- Strong & Hanni, PC, Associate (2009-2010)
- Hutchison & Steffen, Associate (2004-2009)
- K&L Gates (f/k/a Preston Gates & Ellis LLP), Special Projects/Document Review Attorney (2003)

Bar Admissions

- Utah
- Nevada
- Washington

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Utah
- Supreme Court of Nevada
- Supreme Court of Washington