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### Main Bio

Erica J. Stutman concentrates her practice on commercial litigation. She has represented individuals and a wide range of businesses, including financial institutions, real estate and title companies, insurance companies, small businesses and others. Erica has experience in a variety of commercial litigation matters, including lender liability claims regarding mortgage practices and foreclosure, disagreements among business partners, insurance bad faith claims, real estate title disputes, lien priority challenges, contract disputes, fraud actions and negligence claims. Erica has worked on numerous cases in the financial services field, where she has defended national institutions in actions involving claims of alleged wrongful foreclosure, loan servicing errors, breach of loan modification agreements, the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), attacks on the mortgage industry and claims related to mortgage recording fees. She earned both her J.D. and B.S. *magna cum laude* from Northwestern University.

### Education

- Northwestern University School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*)
  - Order of the Coif
  - Dean's List
  - Northwestern University Law Review
- Northwestern University (B.S., Speech, *magna cum laude*)
  - Golden Key International Honor Society
  - National Society of Collegiate Scholars
  - National Dean's List
  - Majors in Theater and Communications

### Representative Presentations & Publications

- "Privacy and Data Security: Challenges and Opportunities for Credit Unions," Presenter, Arizona Credit Union CEO Roundtable, Chandler, AZ (May 8, 2013)
- "Competing Concerns of Covenants Not To Compete," Presenter, Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Phoenix, AZ (Dec. 14, 2016)

### Professional Recognition & Awards

- Southwest Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Edition, Business Litigation (2016-2017)

## **Community Involvement**

- Arizona Theatre Company, Board of Trustees (present)
- Cardozo Society Committee (2017-present)
- American Liver Foundation, Desert Southwest Division (2016-present)
  - Advisory Board of Directors
- Scottsdale League for the Arts, Member (2015-present)
- Arizona Humane Society, Compassion with Fashion Committee (2013-2014)

## **Previous Professional Experience**

- Snell & Wilmer L.L.P., Associate, Las Vegas, NV (2007-2011)
- Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, Summer Associate (2006)
- Sidley Austin LLP, Summer Associate (2005)
- Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, Real Estate Paralegal (2003-2004)

## **Bar Admissions**

- Arizona
- Nevada

## **Court Admissions**

- United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- Supreme Court of Arizona
- Supreme Court of Nevada
- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court, District of Arizona
- United States District Court, District of Nevada