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OVERVIEW

Jennifer Anderson's practice is focused on employment, class actions, mass torts, insurance, healthcare, products liability and commercial litigation. She regularly advises businesses and individuals on issues related to employment disputes, contracts, negotiations, medical malpractice, product safety, professional liability, and fair debt collection practices. She has appeared in state and federal courts, and regularly participates in arbitrations and facilitations. She is also a Certified Mediator through University of New Mexico School of Law.

Jennifer provides counsel and litigation support for clients including pharmaceutical companies, medical suppliers, medical service providers, national retail corporations, school districts, and insurance companies. In addition, she served as trial counsel in pro bono cases, including an intellectual property case for a large, non-profit medical services provider and small family related issues.

Chambers USA has recognized Jennifer in the areas of Labor & Employment law and Litigation, and stated *"[she] has a broad focus within labor and employment law, including matters pertaining to discrimination, retaliation, contract claims and employee relations issues."* Clients were quoted as saying, *"Jennifer is amazing. She is smart, gives good advice and keeps us out of trouble. She is exceptional at avoiding litigation."* *Benchmark Litigation* has selected Jennifer as one of the Top 250 Women in Litigation in the U.S. and as a local Litigation Star, and *Benchmark Litigation, Labor & Employment* names her as a Star. Additionally, she has an AV® rating from *Martindale-Hubbell* and is among those in listed in *Best Lawyers in America®* and *Southwest Super Lawyers®*. Jennifer previously served as Head of the Litigation Department. She currently serves on the firm's Executive Committee and as as Chair of the Employment practice group.

Jennifer enjoys cooking, skiing, soccer tournaments, and spending time with her family.

Education

University of Michigan Law School, J.D. *cum laude*, 1997

Santa Clara University, B.S. in Political Science *magna cum laude*, 1992, Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha

Bar Admissions

New Mexico

U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico

Michigan

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EXPERIENCE

- Successfully arbitrated a Level III Grievance Hearing for a secondary education client
- Successfully represented a large national retailer in a wage and hour class action. Coordinated the discovery efforts, which included obtaining thousands of boxes of documents from dozens of sources across the state and maintaining a document production facility housing those documents
- Represented a multi-state provider of medical malpractice insurance as coverage counsel, overseeing several medical malpractice cases. Additionally, served as trial counsel for the carrier in two significant coverage disputes and in a regulatory dispute with the State of New Mexico. *Donald J. Ham and Alamogordo Eye Clinic v. American Physicians Assurance Corp.*, Case No. 08-CV-00638-PJK-RHS in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico; *Stephen H. Haynes and American Physicians Assurance Corp. v. Morris J. Chavez, in his official capacity as Superintendent of the N.M. Dept. of Insurance*, Case No. D-905-CV-2009-00697 in the Ninth Judicial District Court of New Mexico; and *Marilyn Bush and John Bush v. American Physicians Assurance Corp. and Michael Demers*, No. CV 2009-02265 in the Second Judicial District Court of New Mexico
- Represented large public and private employers in litigated and non-litigated employment matters, including matters involving the following types of claims: Title VII, ADA, ADEA, New Mexico Human Rights Act, defamation and breach of contract
- Served as trial counsel for pharmaceutical companies and manufacturers of dietary supplements and medical devices in products liability litigation. Products include many different prescription and non-prescription medications, surgical staplers, insulin pumps and other non-medical products
- Served as trial counsel in class actions and individual claims for creditors and collection agencies under Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and Fair Credit Reporting Act
- Served as trial counsel for larger private and public entities in significant personal injury cases
- Represented public and private entities in sensitive matters, developing crisis management plans and strategies for handling media inquiries

ACTIVITIES

Professional Activities

- Modrall Sperling Executive Committee, 2013-2017, 2025-present
- Chair, Modrall Sperling Litigation Department, 2011-2013
- New Mexico Medical Board, appointed by Governor Susana Martinez, 2013
- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- Michigan State Bar
- State Bar of New Mexico
- USLAW
- H. Vearle Payne American Inn of Court
- International Association of Defense Counsel

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Community Activities

- Albuquerque Academy Alumni Council, 2011-present
- Albuquerque Public Schools, weekly volunteer
- Girls U-13 club soccer coach
- Organized silent auction fundraiser for Congregation Albert Preschool

HONORS

- *Chambers USA Directories of America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in Labor & Employment, 2013-2023
- *Chambers USA Directories of America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in Litigation: General Commercial, 2013-2018
- *Best Lawyers in America*® in Commercial Litigation and Litigation – Healthcare, 2016-present
- *Best Lawyers*® Litigation-Health Care "Lawyer of the Year" in Albuquerque, 2021
- *Benchmark Litigation*, selected as one of the Top 250 Women in Litigation in United States, 2012-2019
- *Benchmark Litigation, The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*, Litigation Star
- *Benchmark Litigation Labor & Employment, The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Labor & Employment Litigators,* Star
- *Martindale-Hubbell AV*® Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- *New Mexico Business Weekly*, 40 Under Forty, 2009
- *New Mexico Business Weekly*, Best of the Bar in Litigation, 2011
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*® (derived from a lawyer survey), 2013-present; "Top 25 New Mexico Super Lawyers," 2017, 2022

RELATED PRACTICES

Labor, Employment and Benefits
Litigation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Appellate
- Class Actions and Mass Torts
- Commercial
- Insurance
- Product Liability
- Professional Liability
- Torts / Personal Injury

RELATED INDUSTRIES

Educational Services and Institutions
Healthcare / Senior Care Facilities
Mining

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CASE STORIES

Overlapping insurance coverage policies untangled

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