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Jennifer Boston defends a variety of claims and lawsuits filed throughout the United States, including in the areas of product liability, general liability, property damage, insurance law and bad faith, employment law, professional liability, fair housing claims, toxic tort, construction and commercial litigation.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Jennifer defended municipal entities, medical practitioners, businesses, property owners and drivers in general liability litigation. She also advised insurance carriers on coverage issues and drafted coverage opinions.

Education

- University of Missouri - Columbia School of Law (J.D., 2020)
 - Note and Comment Editor, Missouri Law
- University of Missouri – St. Louis (B.A., 2017)

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

Services

- Appellate
- Commercial Litigation
- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Crisis Management
- Contractual/Extra-Contractual Liability Litigation
- Insurance & Reinsurance Coverage
- Insurance & Reinsurance Defense
- Life, Health, Disability & ERISA
- Medical Malpractice & Health Care
- Municipal/Local Government
- Product Liability, Prevention & Government Compliance
- Professional Liability &

Services

- Transportation

Client Wins

Tranen, Wilke and Boston Obtain Unanimous Defense Verdict for Security Company

The St. Louis, Missouri, team of Daniel Tranen (Partner), Julia Wilke (Of Counsel) and Jennifer Boston (Associate) represented a security company client accused to failing to search a psych patient who brought a gun into the hospital emergency department and pointed it at two nurses while they tried to get him to change into hospital scrubs. The nurse plaintiffs argued that the mere fact that he had the gun demonstrated a lapse in security's need to control weapons coming into the emergency department. We convinced the jury that for patients in the treatment area of the emergency department – based on internal hospital policies and the post orders for our client – all searches had to be initiated by hospital staff, and there was no evidence that hospital staff initiated a search. Moreover, the procedures for searches had the search take place after the patient was in hospital scrubs and therefore this particular patient was not yet supposed to be searched under this key policy. Meanwhile, neither nurse plaintiff had requested a search before the gun was discovered, therefore, it was not our client's fault that the patient had not yet been searched when he revealed the gun to the plaintiff nurses. The plaintiffs requested a verdict of \$1 million with both nurses claiming significant PTSD symptoms and damages as a result of the incident. The jury returned a unanimous defense verdict after about an hour (you only need 9 of 12 jurors to reach a verdict in Missouri).