



Kirsten L. Curtis

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Kirsten Curtis is adept at assisting Special Investigation Units with defense of first- and third-party claims. With more than a decade of experience, she is a trusted adviser to coverage providers in Oregon and Washington and is known for her skill in drafting coverage opinions and managing all phases of claims litigation. At Wilson Elser, Kirsten is a valued member of an experienced and adroit team of attorneys specializing in Coverage, Bad Faith, Risk Mitigation, SIU Assistance, Appellate, and related insurance themes.

Kirsten has more than a dozen jury and bench trials in Oregon and Washington state and federal courts to her credit, as well as court-mandated and binding arbitrations. She sits as an arbitrator in Multnomah and Deschutes counties in Oregon, and is appointed as an arbitrator for UIM arbitrations.

Based in Central Oregon, Kirsten brings a particular familiarity with the central and eastern Oregon jurisdictions.

Insurance Advisory

Kirsten focuses on advising insurance carriers on investigation and litigation of Special Investigations Unit (SIU) claims and first-party property damage claims, including suspected arson and fraud, and coverage analysis/advice to insurance companies and claims professionals on matters of bad faith.

Education

- University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law (J.D., 2011)
- Oregon State University (B.A. Political Science, 2006)

Services

- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance & Reinsurance Coverage
- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Product Liability, Prevention & Government Compliance

Bar Admissions

- Oregon
- Washington

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Washington
- Supreme Court of Oregon
- Oregon Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

Professional Affiliations

- Oregon State Bar House of Delegates, Region 5 Representative, 2025–2028
- Cascade Women Lawyers, President
- Oregon Association of Defense Counsel, Secretary/Treasurer
- Oregon Fallen Badge Foundation, Board Member
- Central Oregon Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)

Publications

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Wilson Elser Attorneys Successful in Oregon’s First Moody Damages Trial Coverage Matters