



Rachel Tallon Reynolds

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Rachel Tallon Reynolds is the regional managing partner of the firm's Seattle, Washington, office and an accomplished first-chair trial attorney, veteran, and former prosecutor. Rachel is known for her innovative approach to complex litigation and her commitment to achieving the best possible outcomes for her clients.

Rachel's practice focuses on defending product manufacturers and premises owners in high-stakes asbestos litigation, as well as representing manufacturers and suppliers of medical devices, automobiles, personal watercraft, appliances, and a wide range of other products. She has a particular interest in workplace injury claims, guiding property owners, manufacturers, and employers from incident response through civil litigation and government investigations.

Clients value Rachel's creative problem-solving and her ability to tailor defense strategies to the unique circumstances of each case. She is adept at developing early resolution strategies and is always prepared to take a case to trial when necessary. Her approach emphasizes candid communication, appropriate staffing, and a thorough understanding of each case's parameters – an especially critical focus in mass tort litigation, where decisions can have far-reaching implications.

Rachel's trial experience is extensive. Beyond the trial court, Rachel has represented clients before appellate courts in Washington, Oregon, and California, as well as the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Rachel's background is as diverse as her legal experience. Raised in a small town and having served as a U.S. Army translator, she brings a unique ability to connect with people from all walks of life. As a translator, Rachel developed the ability to listen carefully, interpret nuanced language, and communicate clearly under pressure. In litigation, these skills are invaluable. Whether deposing witnesses, cross-examining experts, or presenting

Services

- Product Liability, Prevention & Government Compliance
- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Toxic Tort
- Asbestos & Talc
- Life Sciences
- Professional Liability & Services
- Transportation
- Monitoring/Supervisory Counsel
- Commercial Litigation
- Engineered Stone

arguments to a jury, Rachel's ability to convey complex legal concepts in a way that is accessible and persuasive sets her apart. Her experience ensures that she can break down complicated issues for clients, judges, and juries, fostering understanding and trust.

Military translators are trained to navigate diverse cultural environments and to build rapport with individuals from a wide range of backgrounds. Rachel's exposure to different cultures and her experience working in high-stakes, cross-cultural situations enable her to connect authentically with clients, witnesses, and jurors. This cultural competence is particularly valuable in today's diverse legal landscape, where understanding and relating to people from all walks of life can make a critical difference in the outcome of a case.

Before joining the firm, Rachel began her legal career as a Deputy District Attorney in Southern California, where she was honored as "Prosecutor of the Year."

Rachel's dedication, experience, and innovative approach make her a trusted advocate for clients facing complex litigation challenges.

Education

- Chapman University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2005)
 - Executive Board, Chapman Law Review
 - Chair, Nexus Law Journal
- Claremont McKenna College (B.A., 2001)
 - Arthur R. Adams Fellow in International Strategic Studies
 - Varsity Swim & Dive Team Captain
- U.S. Army Intelligence School & Defense Language Institute, Arabic
 - Communication and Electronic Warfare Equipment Operator
 - Cryptologic Linguist Course

Bar Admissions

- Washington
- California
- Oregon

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, District of Oregon
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington

- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

Professional Affiliations

- DRI: Lawyers Doing Business, Board of Directors, Northwest Regional Director (2023–2026)
- Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers, Past President
- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel
- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys

Awards & Honors

- Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, 2026
- Selected by Best Lawyers in America® as Lawyer of the Year™ Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants, Seattle, 2025
- Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® *Women in Law*, 2025
- Selected for inclusion in Super Lawyers® in the area of PI – Products: Defense, 2022–2025
- Selected for inclusion in Super Lawyers® Top 100 Lawyers in Washington State, 2023
- Selected for inclusion in Super Lawyers® Top 50 Women Attorneys in Washington State, 2022–2024
- Selected for inclusion in Super Lawyers®, 2018–2023
- Selected by Best Lawyers in America® Personal Injury Litigation, 2022–2025; Product Liability Litigation, 2023–2025
- Selected for inclusion in Super Lawyers® Rising Stars™, 2013–2017

Publications

June 4, 2025

Washington Strips Employers of Workers' Compensation Immunity for Asbestos Claims