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Sara Shapland is a seasoned litigator who represents clients in all phases of civil litigation. Her practice focuses on the defense of claims spanning a broad range of matters, including professional liability, personal injury, civil rights defense, medical and dental malpractice, and employment law. Sara's significant litigation experience includes successfully obtaining summary judgment dismissals, defending clients in arbitration and mediation, and securing appellate victories in state and federal courts. Dedicated to providing exceptional client service, Sara takes pride in delivering practical, results-oriented representation while maintaining open and responsive communication with clients.

Sara has earned a well-deserved reputation for her persuasive legal writing, strategic approach to case management, and unwavering commitment to achieving favorable client outcomes. Clients and colleagues alike commend her professionalism, empathy, and effectiveness in resolving complex disputes.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Sara practiced at an established civil defense litigation firm in Seattle, Washington. Previously, she served as Field Counsel at a firm representing a global insurance company, gaining valuable experience in all aspects of insurance-related litigation.

Education

- University of Oregon (J.D., 2015)
- University of Nebraska–Lincoln (B.A. Psychology, 2011)

Bar Admissions

- Washington

Services

- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Health Care Law
- Toxic Tort

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington

Professional Affiliations

Washington Defense Trial Lawyers