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Mikaela is an associate in the litigation department, with a focus on business and employment litigation. She is involved in every stage of the litigation process, from conducting legal research and drafting motions to managing discovery and preparing cases for trial. Mikaela also provides strategic support throughout the case, ensuring detailed preparation and a focused approach at each phase.

As a litigator, she emphasizes an empathetic approach and places her clients at the forefront of every case, ensuring they feel supported and heard throughout the legal process. With extensive experience working with diverse populations, Mikaela understands the challenges faced by these communities, shaped by her own background as well as her professional experience.

Mikaela is particularly passionate about supporting minority and women-owned businesses, recognizing the unique hurdles they often encounter. She fosters an inclusive environment where these entrepreneurs feel valued and empowered, guiding them through legal complexities with sensitivity and respect.

Prior to becoming an associate, Mikaela served as a law clerk at the firm, where she honed both her technical and practical skills in case review, document drafting, and legal analysis.

In addition to her work in employment law, Mikaela has significant experience in immigration law during her time in law school, which enhances her ability to navigate intricate and sensitive legal issues that intersect with her clients' livelihoods. Her deep understanding of the complexities of civil matters is further enriched by her

Industries

**Real Estate and Land Use
Construction**

Practices

**Litigation
Employment
Real Estate and Land Use**

Education

J.D., Lewis & Clark Law School,
magna cum laude
B.S., Loyola University Chicago,
summa cum laude
Anthropology

Admissions

- Oregon State Bar

experience updating the Wright & Miller Federal Practice and Procedure Treatise during her time at Lewis & Clark, providing her with a comprehensive grasp of federal litigation practices.

Mikaela's commitment to justice is exemplified by her involvement with the Domestic Violence Project during law school, where she passionately advocated for survivors of abuse. This experience deepened her understanding of the intersection between law and personal hardship, reinforcing her belief in the importance of compassionate representation. With her holistic approach and rich experience, Mikaela serves her clients with both skill and sensitivity.

THE ADVANTAGE OF WORKING WITH ME

When you choose to work with me, you're partnering with someone who genuinely cares about your unique journey. I take a holistic approach to each case, considering not just the immediate challenges but the broader context of your life and experiences. My background includes extensive work with diverse populations, allowing me to understand and appreciate different perspectives and needs. With empathy at the core of my practice, I strive to create a supportive environment where you feel heard and valued and we can work as a team to get the best result possible.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Strengthening Timely Collection Efforts," *NACM* (April 2025)

ORGANIZATIONS

Professional Organizations

- Oregon State Bar, New Lawyers Division (2024 - present)
- OGALLA Oregon's LGBTQIA+ Bar Association (2024 - present)
- Oregon Women Lawyers (2022 - present)

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Mikaela loves to unwind with a good book, especially when it's a romance or fantasy novel that sweeps her away to another world. She's also a fan of vintage clothes shopping and traveling the world any opportunity she gets. On top of that, she enjoys learning about wine at her wine club, where she has fun exploring new varietals and sharing good laughs with friends.

