

Ruth A. Casby

PARTNER

Ruth Casby focuses on appellate and trial court advocacy representing appellants and respondents in the Oregon Court of Appeals, the Oregon Supreme, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and serving the firm's clients in Oregon state and federal trial courts.

Ruth's many years of experience writing and arguing appellate briefs, and crafting petitions for writ of mandamus and petitions for Oregon Supreme Court review, expertly serves her clients through her in-depth understanding and knowledge of appellate rules, procedure, and decorum, her skilled presentation of clear, organized, well-developed, and persuasive arguments, and her learned efficiencies in navigating the appellate process, both substantively and procedurally, to maximize the opportunity for the best results for her clients.

Ruth's written and oral advocacy for the firm's clients in Oregon state and federal trial courts involves working with the trial lawyers to develop a strong factual and procedural record, narrow and focus the controlling issues, and present convincing legal analyses to best serve our clients in pre-trial motions, trial memorandums, jury instructions, motions in limine, and post-trial motions, including presenting and objecting to attorney-fee petitions.

Ruth's subject area experience includes all aspects of professional malpractice, defending government municipalities and employers against all types of state and federal tort claims, including Section 1983 claims, First Amendment claims, Title VII and analogous Oregon and Washington state law claims for employment discrimination, harassment, whistleblower retaliation, and public and employment accommodation claims under the American with Disabilities Act, as well as other areas of commercial and general civil litigation.



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Practice Areas

Appellate Law
Legal Malpractice Defense
Long-Term Care, Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing Home Liability Defense
Professional Liability Defense

EDUCATION

University of Oregon Law School

J.D., 1994

Lewis & Clark College

B.S., History, *with honors*, 1989

EXPERIENCE

Hart Wagner LLP

Associate Attorney, 1996 — present

Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt

Associate Attorney, 1995 — 1996

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Oregon State Courts

Oregon Federal Courts

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Multnomah Bar Association

Oregon State Bar

Oregon Association of Defense Counsel

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Hollyhood Elementary, Fernwood Middle School and Jesuit High School volunteer, 2002–current

Northeast United Soccer Club, Past Board Member

Hollyhood Elementary School, Strategic Planning Committee, 2002

Fruit & Flower, Board Member, 1995
