

# Meghan J. Wood

## Associate

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Meghan Wood is a seasoned and diligent litigator with experience leading teams and managing multiple aspects of more than 250 product liability cases nationwide. Clients including product manufacturers and distributors value Meghan's skill in oral advocacy and courtroom motion practice on their behalf, as well as her outstanding organizational and communication skills.

As national counsel for a Fortune 500 company, Meghan held primary and sole responsibility over a product liability caseload of over two 250 actively litigated asbestos, toxic tort, and pharmaceutical matters filed nationwide. She personally managed the investigation, pleading, discovery, deposition, court appearance, pre-trial, trial, and resolution and settlement stages on many of these matters in jurisdictions throughout the country.

Skilled in investigations, analysis, witness preparation, and depositions, Meghan has a knack for translating complex technical, scientific, and medical concepts into concise and compelling language. Taking a strategic and business-minded approach to her practice, she is always prepared to go to trial but works closely with her clients to determine when negotiated settlements and other solutions are better options for achieving their business goals.

Meghan has represented clients in toxic tort, chemical, civil rights, insurance defense, litigation, bankruptcy, Medicare, and personal injury cases. She also played a leading role in a pro bono federal civil rights trial and has served as a volunteer mediator with the Center for Conflict Resolution.



## EXPERIENCE

### Clerkships

Judicial Extern, 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court (2013)

## CREDENTIALS

### Education

IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, J.D., 2015

Chicago-Kent's Black Law Students Association, Member

Chicago-Kent's Child and Family Law Society, President

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution Certificate, Recipient

Center for Conflict Resolution, Certified Volunteer Mediator

University of Missouri, B.A., Communication, 2012, *cum laude*

Dean's Honor List, seven consecutive semesters

Outstanding Senior Award from the Communication Department



## Bar Admissions

Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

## Professional Memberships

Chicago Bar Association

Black Women Lawyer's Association

ACLU

## Honors & Awards

Top 40 Under 40 in Illinois, *The National Black Lawyers* (2022)

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Center for Conflict Resolution, Volunteer Mediator

Lawyers Lend-A-Hand to Youth, Volunteer Tutor