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MY SERVICES

Business Litigation
White Collar Defense and Investigations

EDUCATION

Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2021

Order of the Woolsack Honor Society

Saint Louis University, B.A., English and Legal Studies,
magna cum laude, 2018

ADMISSIONS

Missouri
Illinois

My positive attitude and comfort in the courtroom make me an asset on client teams. I also enjoy mentoring and supporting law students and junior associates.

overview

Layla Husen handles business litigation matters including regulatory enforcement actions, business disputes, and toxic tort defense. She has been involved in high-stakes litigation including class actions and ongoing toxic tort matters, providing essential support in all phases of litigation.

As a primary brief writer, Layla's successes have included obtaining a summary judgment win in a putative class action seeking millions in damages. She also provided crucial jury trial support that assisted in securing a full defense verdict.

Layla works closely with clients, expert witnesses, and fact witnesses, supporting litigation teams representing professionals, hospitals, government contractors, and other business clients in civil disputes, enforcement actions, False Claims Act lawsuits, and responding to government-issued subpoenas. Layla welcomes opportunities to argue motions and is adaptable to fast-paced environments, making her an asset to trial teams.

She recently played a large role in the high-profile release of wrongfully convicted Christopher Dunn, taking direct and cross examinations, as well as briefing emergency issues to the Missouri Supreme Court.

During law school, Layla was an extern in the white-collar crime department with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri.

affiliations

Professional

- The Theodore McMillian American Inn of Court
- Women's White Collar Defense Association
- American Bar Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

Community

- Make-A-Wish Foundation of Missouri & Kansas
- Make-A-Wish Heroes Campaign Member

recognitions

- Saint Louis University School of Law 1843 Scholar
- Academic Excellence Award for Seminar: White Collar Crime
- Academic Excellence Award for Evidence
- Academic Excellence Award for Civil Practice
- Academic Excellence Award for Torts
- Saint Louis University Law Journal
 - Note & Comment Editor, 2020-2021
 - Staff Editor, 2019-2020
- Helen Mandeville Prize in English Studies

in my free time

I enjoy reading psychological thrillers (think *Gone Girl*, *Girl on the Train*, or anything by Lisa Jewell) and have even tried my hand at writing a few short stories of my own. I love the winter season – everything from outdoor ice skating to watching *It's a Wonderful Life* and drinking hot chocolate. My favorite St. Louis activity is *Shakespeare* in the Park (with a special mention to the 2012 production of *Othello*).