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#### PRACTICE AREAS

Construction Law, Insurance Defense, Medical Malpractice, Product Liability, Personal Injury

#### OVERVIEW

Rachel Bench is an attorney in Betts, Patterson & Mines and is member of the firm's Insurance Defense Group in both the Seattle and Portland Office. Rachel is an experienced litigator who focuses her practice on the defense of individuals and business involved in complex litigation. Ms. Bench has extensive experience defending her clients in actions involving medical malpractice, premises liability, product liability, wrongful death, construction defect, and commercial disputes. Ms. Bench also has experience in advising and defending healthcare professionals in licensing and disciplinary matters.

Prior to joining Betts, Patterson, & Mines, Ms. Bench worked at a premier Pacific Northwest civil-litigation defense firm where she handled a large and varied caseload. There, she represented hospitals, physicians, and other health care professionals in medical malpractice lawsuits and class actions as well as individuals and entities in commercial litigation and general liability matters, including those involving catastrophic loss.

#### EDUCATION

- Pepperdine School of Law, J.D., 2010  
Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution Certificate
- University of Washington, B.A., Law Society, and Justice, cum laude, 2007

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Washington
- Oregon
- United States District Court for the Western District of Washington

#### PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- King County Bar Association
- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers