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Top Skills

Litigation
Trial Practice
Arbitration

Suzanne Grandt

Assistant General Counsel (Attorney IV) at State Bar of California
San Francisco

Summary

Accomplished litigator with experience as a large law firm associate, government attorney and currently as an in house counsel. I have experience in a broad range of law, including administrative law, constitutional law, government ethics, contract law, statutory analysis, proposed legislation, and compliance analysis. I have an excellent reputation for resolving complex legal issues and handling high profile political and legal issues.

Experience

State Bar of California

Assistant General Counsel

September 2016 - Present (4 years 1 month)

San Francisco, CA

I provide legal advice, representation and services to the State Bar, its governing board, executive director, management, staff, committees, and other sub-entities. I also supervise the Office of General Counsel bankruptcy and collection practice.

I am legal counsel in litigation representing the State Bar, its employees and officers, and have handled cases in California federal courts, state courts, bankruptcy courts, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. I also provide legal advice on a variety of issues pertaining to privacy, intellectual property, Open Meetings Act, California Public Records Act, financial reporting requirements, bankruptcy, statutory interpretation and numerous other issues. My work also includes drafting, negotiating, and reviewing contracts, drafting proposed legislation and drafting new State Bar Rules of Procedures.

Attorney General of New York

Assistant Attorney General

December 2015 - September 2016 (10 months)

New York NY

As an Assistant Attorney General, I served as lead counsel in defense of New York State officials and agencies in individual and class actions in federal and

state court. I drafted pleadings and motion papers, conducted oral arguments in open court, handled document reviews and productions, and negotiated discovery and settlement with adversaries.

My representation included New York State Department of Health in a complex class action in the Eastern District of New York, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services in federal litigation, and various state agencies in Article 78 special proceedings challenging determinations in administrative law proceedings.

Dentons US LLP

Managing Associate - Litigation and Arbitration

June 2011 - December 2015 (4 years 7 months)

New York, NY

As a Managing Associate, I handled all aspects of litigation, from pleadings through trial. I have represented both corporations, including financial institutions, investment firms, insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies, and individuals in complex commercial litigation, employment disputes, securities class actions, white collar criminal defense and criminal and civil government investigations.

JONES DAY®

Trial Practice Associate

October 2009 - June 2011 (1 year 9 months)

New York NY

I began my legal career at Jones Day as a summer associate in 2009 and began working there in the fall of 2010 as an associate in their litigation group. I assisted in all steps of pre-trial preparation, including discovery, document review, deposition preparation, and direct and cross examination preparation. I researched for and drafted various court documents including affidavits, subpoenas, and summary judgment motions.

Education

Boston University School of Law

Juris Doctor (J.D.) · (2006 - 2009)

Boston University

Bachelor's Degree, Political Science and Government;

Psychology · (2002 - 2006)

Stuyvesant High School
High School · (1998 - 2002)