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Over 11 years ago, Summit Law Group rejected the traditional law firm model and started from scratch to design a modern law firm founded on a single principle: customer service. We formed Summit Law Group to revolutionize the way legal services are provided to law firm customers. Our mission is to think creatively and proactively in formulating the most effective and efficient solutions for our customers' legal needs. We achieve great results with small, efficient and creative teams. Every person at Summit Law Group is a legal professional who shares in the firm's success, and every lawyer is an equity owner of our business. As a result, everyone on the Summit team personally feels a sense of ownership, responsibility and accountability to our customers unparalleled at other firms. We strive to eliminate the inherent inefficiencies of traditional law firm practice, such as a leveraged partner/associate hierarchy, in order to focus exclusively on our customer.



Kristin D. Anger

Kristin is part of Summit's labor/employment group, and advises public and private employers on compliance with legal obligations to avoid or minimize the risk of litigation. Among other things, she helps employers navigate difficult discipline and discharge situations, advises on discrimination, leave and accommodation issues, conducts training on various labor and employment topics, and conducts personnel investigations. Kristin was an honor graduate of the University of Washington School of Law, and has been named a "Rising Star" in Washington Law & Politics magazine. Kristin is mom to Madison (11) and Bennett (8).



Denise L. Ashbaugh

Denise practices in the litigation and labor/employment law groups. She received her undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Washington and has been voted a Washington "Rising Star" by the Washington Law & Politics magazine's lawyers' poll for the past eight years. In addition to juggling her time in the office and as a mom, she also enjoys doing work as a Steward for the Big W Club – UW's Athletic Alumni Association and as a Board Member/Vice President of the Alliance for International Women's Rights. Denise is a mom to Domenic (20 months).



Laura A. Bertin

Laura's practice focuses on corporate and securities law. She represents emerging growth as well as established companies in a wide range of transactions, including equity and debt public offerings, venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, technology licensing, federal and state securities law compliance and corporate governance issues. Laura acts as corporate counsel for a number of public companies and assists these clients with a wide range of issues, including compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, preparation and review of periodic reports, and compliance with insider trading and disclosure regulations. She was named a "Super Lawyer" by Washington Law & Politics magazine, 2003 and 2006 and a "Top Lawyer" by Seattle Magazine, 2003. Laura is mom to Audrey (3) and Lucas (3 months).

Lynn M. Engel

Lynn practices in the litigation group at Summit. Her focus is on IP/technology, antitrust and general commercial litigation. Lynn received her law degree from the University of Chicago, and her BA from Oberlin College. Lynn is mom to Claire (14), Micaela (11), Sam (6), Kaitlyn (21 months), and stepmom to Ian (22), Maddie (17), Mark (13) and Ellen (13).



Jessica L. Goldman

Jessica represents clients in diverse commercial litigation, including insurance coverage, contract, fraud, construction defect, media law, and intellectual property. She also advises newspapers and publishers regarding defamation, privacy, access, prior restraint, reporters' shield laws, public records and newsgathering torts. She is co-author of the Alaska and Washington chapters in the Media Law Resource Center's 50-state libel survey and of the Washington chapter of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press' 50-state survey of freedom of information laws. In 2007 and 2008, Jessica was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* for First Amendment practice. She is proud mom to Hannah (11) and Noah (8).



Lisa M. Herb

Lisa has 15 years experience representing a wide variety of clients in commercial and employment litigation matters, including complex commercial disputes, trade secret cases, unfair competition cases, contract disputes and equal employment and discrimination issues. Lisa is also the President and founder of the Alliance for International Women's Rights. Lisa is mom to Gabriel (five weeks).



Elizabeth R. Kennar

Beth works with both private and public employers on all aspects of labor and employment law. She graduated Order of the Coif from University of Washington Law School in 1995 and was recently named one of the top Labor Lawyers by the Labor Relations Institute. Beth moved "home" to Spokane, Washington in 2004 and maintains both a Spokane and Seattle office. She is mom to four children: Audrey (10), Eva (8), Ian (4) and Rosemary (2).



Marta T. Lowe

After growing up in Olympia, Marta left town for law school and practiced for 12 years in DC. She spent six years at Pillsbury as a corporate securities lawyer and six years with Saul Centers, Inc, a public REIT, handling commercial leasing, acquisitions and financings. She came to her senses this year and returned home to work for Summit's Real Estate practice, where she handles real estate matters of all stripes. Marta is mom to Laurel (6) and Lily (4).



Maureen L. Mitchell

Maureen's practice includes civil litigation and environmental law. Her litigation practice has particular emphasis on commercial disputes, insurance, real estate, environmental, land use and Indian law. Outside of the office, she enjoys hiking with the kids and serving on the Board of Trustees of Crisis Clinic. She graduated from University of Washington School of Law and Smith College. Maureen is a mom to Andrei (7) and Nikolai (15 months).



Shannon E. Phillips

Shannon's practice emphasizes preventive counseling and training to private and public-sector employers to avoid or minimize the risk of litigation. When litigation occurs, Shannon provides vast experience in federal and state courts and in administrative hearings. Shannon was named a "Rising Star" in the 2006 Washington Law & Politics survey of lawyers in Washington State. She graduated from Stanford University in 1989, and was an honors graduate of the University of Washington Law School in 1995. She is a former board member of the Northwest Women's Law Center. Shannon is mom to Oscar (9) and Leo (6).



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