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Introduction

Lindsey has devoted her career to understanding the legal risks her clients face in the construction industry. Her clients include owners, owner's representatives, contractors, international multidisciplinary design firms, and local engineering and architecture firms. She takes great pride in offering an integrated suite of services to her clients, providing advice on risk management, contract negotiation and conflict resolution, as well as defending her clients from claims.

Lindsey is experienced in all manner of construction and development, including single-family residential, multi-family residential, high-rise, commercial build-outs, public projects and infrastructure. She is involved in her clients' projects from inception through completion, and beyond. She provides advice on project delivery, drafts and negotiates design and construction contracts, assists with negotiating and securing subordination and assignments, and works with project teams to address challenges and opportunities as they arise during the course of construction.

Lindsey's approach to risk management is informed by her litigation experience. She has represented owners and construction professionals in all manner of civil litigation at both the federal and state court levels, including claims for design or construction defects, cost overruns or schedule overruns, liens, and claims of personal injury or wrongful death.

Lindsey is passionate about innovation within the industry, and particularly the use of alternative delivery and teaming agreements to improve the processes, efficiency and quality of the work her clients do. She is a frequent presenter to industry organizations and professionals. Additionally, she takes an active interest in mentoring and supporting both the construction and legal professions through her volunteer work.

Lindsey's work has earned her several distinguished titles and roles in notable organizations such as the Urban Land Institute, American Institute of Architects, and the Seattle Architecture Foundation, where she has spent many years as a volunteer and/or board member.

Lindsey's practice spans Alaska, Washington, Oregon and Arizona, but she is most inspired by the ever-changing urban landscape in Seattle. She considers it an honor to counsel her clients as they change the way people live, work and travel in the Pacific Northwest. Lindsey counts her partnership with her clients as the most rewarding aspect of her work, and is continually inspired by the profound impact their work has on our daily lives.

Education

- University of Iowa (B.A., with honors, in English and Spanish, 2002)
- University of Iowa College of Law (J.D., 2005)
 - Co-founder, Iowa International Law Society
 - Michelle R. Bennett Scholarship for Outstanding Client Service in Clinical Law Programs
- Center for Sustainable Leadership, Urban Land Institute (2014)

Admissions

- Washington
- Oregon
- Alaska
- Arizona

Awards/Honors and Organizational Memberships

- Recipient of AIA Seattle Honorary Membership
- Ranked in Washington State by *Chambers USA* in the area of Construction in 2019
- Named on the Washington Rising Stars list by *Super Lawyers® Magazine*
- Recognized as one of the "Top Women Attorneys in Washington" by *Seattle Met Magazine*
- American Institute of Architects Seattle, Board of Directors (2012-2017)
- Seattle Architecture Foundation, Board of Directors and Past President
- Urban Land Institute, Thriving Communities Taskforce
- Ryther, Board of Trustees
- Seattle Fire Foundation, Board of Directors
- King County Bar Association, Member
- Washington State Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Member
- Center for Architecture and Design, Executive Decision Member
- Construction Lawyers Society of America, Fellow
- Diversity Law Institute, Member
- Trial Law Institute, Member
- CH& Diversity Team, Member

Publications/Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, "Seattle State of the Market," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (June 17, 2020)
- Moderator, "Affordable Housing in Seattle & King County: Will 2020 Be the Year of Affordability?," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (June 3, 2020)
- Moderator, "A Seattle Capital Markets & CRE Transactions Update," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (May 20, 2020)
- Speaker, "Sustainability in Design & Development," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (May 13, 2020)
- Moderator, "The Rise of Mass Timber & CLT in the Pacific NW," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (April 29, 2020)
- Moderator, "The State of Seattle's Downtown Urban Core," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (April 22, 2020)

- Moderator, "Seattle Retail and Coronavirus: What Retailers Have Been Hardest Hit, How Can Owners Bounce Back," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (April 15, 2020)
- Moderator, "Seattle, CRE, and Coronavirus: How the CRE Community Can Take on Coronavirus Safe and Strong," Bisnow Webinar, Seattle, WA (April 8, 2020)
- Moderator, "Cities of the Future: Innovations in Tech & Design, Master Developments with Many Uses, & Planned Communities as the Way of the Future," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (February 27, 2020)
- Moderator, "Building Better Cities: Density, Placemaking, Community Development & Political Inclusivity," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (September 24, 2019)
- Moderator, "Seattle Office Summit: Modern Office Space," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (June 13, 2019)
- Moderator, "Seattle Construction & Development Forecast: Notable Trends, Rising Costs, Developer Insights, & More," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (April 25, 2019)
- Speaker, "Understanding The General Conditions of a Construction Contract & Risk Management," AIA 2019 Contract Documents: Insights & Impacts (March 20, 2019)
- Moderator, "Multifamily Annual Conference Pacific Northwest: Affordable Housing and Community Development," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (September 12, 2018)
- Moderator, "Seattle Downtown 2018: The Economic Impact of Institutions and the Changing Skyline," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (June 26, 2018)
- Speaker, "How to Analyze and Mitigate Risk on a Project-by-Project Basis," GAF - Roofing's 2018 Northwest Roofing Expo (March 22, 2018)
- Speaker, "Understanding The General Conditions of a Construction Contract & Risk Management," AIA 2017 Contract Documents: Insights & Impacts (November 15, 2017)
- Moderator, "Seattle Construction & Development – Major Projects, Emerging Markets and Visionary Leaders," Bisnow, Seattle, WA (May 25, 2017)
- Speaker, "Risk Management – Legal & Insurance Criteria for Engineers," SEAO and ACEC Oregon Seminar (May 9, 2017)
- Speaker, "The New Duty to Warn," Roofing Consultants Institute Annual Meeting (June 2015)
- Panelist, "BIM Won't Work as a Deliverable, Will It?," Spring 2015 BIMForum (April 29-30, 2015)
- Presenter, "Risk vs. Reward in Joint Ventures," ACEC Annual Convention and Legislative Summit (April 22, 2015)
- Presenter, "Legal Considerations for Design and Construction Professionals," SeaBec Educational Series (2014)
- Author, "Small Projects, Big Risk," American Institute of Architects (AIA) Small Project Practitioners (2014)