



Karen L Hanks

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Practice Areas

- Appellate
- Corporate
- Insurance Defense
- Litigation
- Real Estate

Admissions

- Nevada
- U.S. Court of Appeals of the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court of Nevada

Education & Honors

- Syracuse University College of Law 2002-2005
- University of Maryland Baltimore County 1998-2001

Associations

- State bar of Nevada

Noteworthy

- TIP Mentor: A mentor program for Nevada attorneys, January 2013 – present
- Arbitrator/Mediator: State Bar Fee Dispute Committee (March, 2020 – March, 2023 (term))
- Mediation Certificate

Karen Hanks was born and raised in Pasadena, Maryland, a small suburb located near Baltimore. She attended college at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. After completing her undergraduate degree, she attended law school at Syracuse University where she graduated magna cum laude.

In 2005, Ms. Hanks was admitted to the Nevada bar. She has practiced in areas of business litigation, wills and trusts, probate, guardianship, immigration, real estate, civil appeals, and personal injury on both the plaintiff and defense side. Currently her area of practice focuses on general liability.

Ms. Hanks is a seasoned trial and appellate attorney. She has argued at both the Ninth Circuit and Nevada Supreme Court numerous times. Her most notable trial resulted in a \$4.2 million jury verdict in favor of her client in a wrongful death/negligence case.

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- National Business Institute, “Preparing and Trying the Personal Injury Case, June 20, 2013, Las Vegas, Nevada
- National Business Institute, “A Litigation Paralegal’s Guide to Case Management, November, 2015, Las Vega, Nevada
- National Business Institute, “Advanced Litigation Skills in Nevada, December 15, 2016, Las Vegas, Nevada
- National Business Institute, “A Paralegal’s Guide to Pleadings, Motions, Discovery Requests and Briefs, November 12, 2020, Las Vegas, Nevada
- National Business Institute, “Applying the Rules of Evidence, Get Yours In, Keep Theirs Out, December 4, 2020, Las Vegas, Nevada