



A skilled product liability defense litigator, Jessica Brennan represents manufacturers of prescription pharmaceuticals, medical devices and consumer goods in coordinated state proceedings, multidistrict litigation, class actions and individual matters. Co-chair of the E-Discovery and Knowledge Management group, she directs e-discovery for mass tort and multidistrict litigation in the U.S. and globally, including in Japan, the European Union and Switzerland.

Jessica serves in various capacities on national coordinating counsel teams and represents multinational clients in U.S. and international product liability litigation. She analyzes key strategic issues to identify expeditious and effective case resolution while managing major project teams of outside counsel, legal personnel, and third-party vendors.

When not coordinating such actions, she serves as liaison or discovery or local counsel. Jessica also has significant experience as a member of national trial teams for cases in federal and state courts throughout the U.S.

A consummate communicator, Jessica is valued for her critical thinking skills and ability to evaluate complex problems to uncover key aspects of a case. Particularly in the many MDLs Jessica is involved in, she assesses the fact-specific data from both the litigation and business perspective so the overall outcome is favorable to the client. These cases involve defending clients against strict product liability, negligence, and breach of warranty claims, as well as wrongful death actions involving prescription medications, over-the-counter products, orthopedic implants and other products in cross-jurisdictional mass tort proceedings.

Jessica's e-discovery expertise has become an important part of her practice and of such sophisticated product liability litigation. She seeks out effective defense strategies as they relate to General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) standards, data privacy laws, and product regulatory compliance as they apply to U.S. litigation and litigation outside the U.S.

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EDUCATION

Seton Hall University School of Law,
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Seton Hall University School of Law,
(post-graduate Professional Certification
in Pharmaceutical and Medical Device
Law and Compliance), 2011

University of Delaware, (B.A.), political
science, 2004

BAR ADMISSIONS

New Jersey

New York

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the District of New
Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Southern
District of New York

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Drug and Medical Device

eDiscovery and Knowledge Management

Litigation

Product Liability and Mass Torts

Professional and Community Involvement

NJBiz Leaders in Law, 2023

Chair, New Jersey State Bar Association Product Liability and Mass Tort Section, 2021-2022

Former vice chair, New Jersey State Bar Association Product Liability and Mass Tort Section, 2020-2021

Board member, Judicial Outreach Committee, New Jersey Women Lawyers Association, 2022-2023

Member, American Bar Association

Member, National Association of Women Lawyers

Member, Defense Research Institute

Member, Seton Hall University School of Law Alumni Association

Member, Trial Attorneys of New Jersey

Member, BioNJ

Honors

Best Lawyers in America Ones to Watch, Product Liability Litigation-Defendants, 2021-22

New Jersey Law Journal Women Attorneys of the Year, 2022

The Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch, 2024