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Edith Shea is a partner with the firm and a member of the Litigation Practice Group and has represented public and private clients in state and federal actions and appeals for more than twenty-five years. Edith maintains a varied litigation practice and has handled matters in the areas of business litigation, bad faith insurance law, construction, products liability, employment, medical malpractice and international trade. She has also represented clients in complex and class actions, having completed a federal class action trial in October 2025.

Prior to entering the private sector, Edith was a Trial Attorney with the United States Department of Justice, trying cases to verdict before the United States Court of International Trade and representing the United States before the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. She continued her trial practice with both jury and bench trials before the United States District Courts and before the Superior Court for the State of California. Edith has also argued multiple appeals before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the California Court of Appeal and she has drafted briefs requested by the United States Supreme Court.

Additionally, Edith has successfully resolved numerous matters through dispositive motions and has proven skills in managing discovery and litigation in complex actions. She has extensive experience negotiating for clients in mediations and has demonstrated her commitment to the efficient resolution of disputes by serving as a Mediator and an Alternative Dispute Resolution Neutral for the Los Angeles Superior Court. In connection with this work, she completed training on Mediating the Litigated Case at the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law.

Edith is fluent in Spanish.

PRACTICES

Insurance Coverage and Litigation

Litigation

Real Estate and Business Law

EDUCATION

J.D., Boston University School of Law, 1991

B.A., Economics, Cornell University, 1988

ADMISSION

State Bar of California

State Bar of New York

United States District Court for the Central District of California

United States District Court for the Southern District of California

AFFILIATIONS

Hispanic National Bar Association

Latina Lawyers Bar Association

Alternative Dispute Resolution Neutral, Los Angeles Superior Court, 2005-2007

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