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Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment
- Aviation Litigation
- Strategic Risk & Complex Litigation
- Securities Litigation & SEC Enforcement
- Railway Labor Act

Industry Sectors

- Aviation
- Real Estate & Construction

Education

- Gonzaga University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1992
- University of Washington, B.A., 1988

Bar Admissions

- Washington
- Oregon
- Alaska
- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- U.S. District Court -- North Dakota
- U.S. District Court -- Western District of Washington
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Washington
- U.S. District Court -- Oregon

Affiliations

- International Association of Defense Counsel
- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers Association
- Marine Insurance Association of Seattle
- American Bar Association, Forum on Air and Space Law Member
- Aviation Insurance Association

Awards & Honors

- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent® rated
- Washington Super Lawyer, 2003-2006, 2010-2023
- Top 100 Washington Super Lawyer, 2014-2015

Bill is an experienced trial lawyer recognized by his peers and judges as one of the top litigators in the state of Washington. Bill has successfully represented a substantial number of corporate and individual clients in a range of commercial areas including matters involving securities litigation, medical device liability, personal injury, medical malpractice, environmental tort, maritime and admiralty, disability, aircraft accidents, eminent domain, real estate, and employment discrimination. He has represented clients in complex commercial litigation across the United States in both federal and state court. Bill is especially valued by clients facing difficult “bet the business” litigation involving individual and class claims, with an excellent reputation for strategic thinking and aggressive advocacy. Bill is also co-chair of Cozen O’Connor’s Aviation Industry team.

Bill serves as disciplinary counsel for the Washington State Commission on Judicial Conduct, serving as a prosecutor in cases involving judicial misconduct. He is AV-rated (highest rating) by Martindale-Hubbell and has been selected by his peers as a Top 100 Washington Super Lawyer multiple times and has been perennially chosen as a Washington Super Lawyer since 2003.

Prior to joining private practice, Bill served for seven years as a special assistant U.S. Attorney and Air Force Judge Advocate, prosecuting civilian and military criminal matters as well as defending the federal government in employment discrimination cases.

Bill was a member of the 1984 University of Washington football team that won the 1985 Orange Bowl and was inducted into the Husky Hall of Fame in 2016.

Bill earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from Gonzaga University School of Law. He received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Washington.

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