



# Jodi McDougall

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## Practice Areas

- Insurance Coverage
- Bad Faith
- Professional Liability Insurance Coverage
- Property Insurance

## Industry Sectors

- Insurance

## Education

- Seattle University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1992
- Pepperdine University School of Law, Mediation Training, 2020
- University of Southern California, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1989

## Bar Admissions

- Washington
- Oregon

## Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court -- Western District of Washington
- U.S. District Court -- Eastern District of Washington
- U.S. District Court -- Colorado
- U.S. District Court -- Oregon
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

## Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- American College of Coverage Counsel
- King County Bar Association
- Marine Insurance Association of Seattle
- Maritime Law Association of the United States
- Professional Liability Underwriter's Association
- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers Association
- Washington State Bar Association

## Awards & Honors

- Chambers and Partners USA: Washington: Insurance: 2024
- Best Lawyers in America 2018-2025 (Commercial Litigation and Insurance)
- Washington Super Lawyers List 2003, 2005, 2007, 2010-2024
- Top 50 Women in Washington- Washington Super Lawyers 2013, 2017-2022

Jodi represents insurers in complex insurance coverage disputes and maritime matters. She enjoys working together with her clients to help them avoid and solve problems. Jodi has extensive experience defending bad faith claims. She primarily practices in Washington and Oregon, two venues that are notoriously difficult for insurers to operate. She handles all types of coverage disputes including environmental, professional liability, maritime, and general liability. She has successfully litigated hundreds of cases, including two of the largest coverage cases in Washington state history.

Jodi also has an active mediation practice and serves as an arbitrator. She obtained extensive training through the Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine Caruso School of Law. She enjoys working with parties to reach resolution and put disputes behind them.

Jodi served two terms on the board of directors for Cozen O'Connor and has been the managing partner of the Seattle office for the past 16 years. She serves on the firm's Diversity Committee and is a mentor for the Women's Initiative. Jodi is a fellow in the American College of Coverage Counsel and has been recognized as one of the top 50 women attorneys and one of the top 100 of all attorneys in Washington state by Super Lawyers. She was named to the Best Lawyers in America list for commercial litigation and insurance and awarded the AV Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell.

Jodi enjoys pro bono work and is involved in a wide array of matters. She recently obtained asylum for an African national based on persecution in his native country due to his sexual orientation. She has also represented asylum seekers who are fleeing their native country because of persecution for their democratic political beliefs. Jodi has represented numerous Holocaust survivors and obtained reparations for them from the German government. She actively participates in the firm's COVET project and has fought for veterans to obtain broader benefits. She has worked with women veterans to assist them in obtaining benefits for military sexual trauma that they have endured.

Jodi received her Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, in 1989 from the University of Southern California, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She earned her law degree, *cum laude*, in 1992 from the Seattle University School of Law. She studied the Law of the Sea and International Law at Cambridge University in England. Prior to joining private practice, Jodi worked as a prosecutor in both King and Pierce counties.

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