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Carsen is an associate in the firm's litigation group. In this practice, she is a member of the wildfire litigation team representing victims of the 2020 Oregon fires against PacifiCorp. She is also part of the team that represents the State of Delaware in a PCB litigation lawsuit against Monsanto. Additionally, Carsen focuses on other complex litigation matters including securities fraud and business litigation.

Carsen was most recently a Judicial Law Clerk with the Oregon Supreme Court, where she worked for the court's central staff division and clerked for Justice Stephen K. Bushong. There, Carsen provided recommendations to the court and helped draft the court's decisions involving complex and novel issues of state law. During law school, she also served as a Legislative Extern for the ACLU of Washington, a Certified Law Clerk for the Federal Public Defender's office in Portland, and an Advocacy Intern for Columbia Legal Services. Carsen's justice-oriented focus and her varied legal experiences throughout Washington and Oregon inform her day-to-day litigation work at Stoll Berne.

EDUCATION

Seattle University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2022
Seattle Journal for Social Justice, Editor-in-Chief, 2021-2022
Moot Court Board, Member
National Appellate Advocacy Competition, Competitor, 2022
James E. Bond Moot Court Competition, Semi-Finalist Competitor, 2021
University of Puget Sound, B.S., *cum laude*, Molecular and Cellular Biology, 2017
Minor in Spanish

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

District of Oregon, 2024
Oregon State Bar, 2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Stoll Berne

Associate, 2024-present

Oregon Supreme Court

Judicial Law Clerk, 2022-2024

ACLU of Washington

Legislative Extern, 2022

Federal Public Defender (Portland)

Certified Law Clerk, 2021-2022

Columbia Legal Services

Advocacy Intern, 2021

Calhoun Family Fellowship

Legal Fellow, 2020

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Multnomah Bar Association

Member

Oregon Trial Lawyers Association

Member

Oregon State Bar Uniform Civil Jury Instructions Committee

Member

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Youth Volleyball Coach

Multnomah Athletic Club, 2022-present

Seattle Clemency Project

Clemency Petition Writing Volunteer, 2020-2022

Freedom Education Project Puget Sound

Prison Volunteer Coordinator and Study Hall Volunteer, 2014-2019

PUBLICATIONS

"For More Equitable Licensure, Washington State Needs Diploma Privilege, Not the Bar Exam," author, *20 Seattle J. Soc. Just.* 287, 2021

PERSONAL

Carsen enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing and coaching volleyball, and exploring the restaurant scene in Portland.