

**PRACTICE FOCUS**

V. Amanda Witts is an experienced litigator whose experience includes litigating employment, commercial, products liability and mass tort matters. Ms. Witts's employment experience includes litigating Title VII, Section 1981, ADEA, Pennsylvania Whistleblower, PHRA and ADA claims. Ms. Witts represents litigants at all stages of litigation in federal and state court across jurisdictions. Beyond her trial experience, Ms. Witts has led internal investigations and routinely counsels clients on employment and human resources issues. Ms. Witts is also experienced in drafting employment agreements, separation agreement, employee handbooks and developing and implementing employee trainings. In addition to working in private practice, Ms. Witts previously served as the Deputy General Counsel of the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority (PCCA). There, Ms. Witts managed labor and employment litigation brought against the PCCA, lead investigations on employment related issues, drafted employment policies, and advised internal stakeholders on legal, administrative, procedural and regulatory matters. Additionally, Ms. Witts also drafted and oversaw the PCCA's Diversity, Inclusion & Anti-Discrimination Program.

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

- Second chaired the successful defense of a school district in a federal jury trial involving claims of discrimination and retaliation, affirmed on appeal
- Obtained summary judgment victory defending hospital against claims brought pursuant to PA Whistleblower Law
- Member of trial team that successfully defended a university against tort claims against a \$60M demand.
- Represented automotive manufacturer in products liability and class action matters in both federal and state courts.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Authored Helping a Lateral Associate Adapt to the Firm's Culture, The Legal Intelligencer; Laterals Supplement, February 2013

POINTS OF DISTINCTION

- 2020 Pennsylvania Rising Stars, Super Lawyers
- 2018 Woman of Influence, Fun Times Magazine
- 2018 President's Award for Service & Leadership, The Barristers' Association of Philadelphia
- 2016 Lawyer on the Fast Track, The Legal Intelligencer
- 2016 President's Award for Service & Leadership, The Barristers' Association of Philadelphia

EDUCATION

- Georgetown University Law Center, JD, Law Center Scholar
- Hampton University, BS, Summa Cum Laude

ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania
- Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- Western District of Pennsylvania
- District Court of New Jersey § United States Court of Appeal for the Third Circuit

V. AMANDA WITTS
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- Labor and Employment Law