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Education:
University of Hawaii, William S. Richardson School of Law
J.D. (2014)
Member of the Jessup International Moot Court Team
CALI Awards for Excellence: Contracts II; Advanced Torts and Insurance Law
Research Assistant to Professor David Callies, Land Use in Hawaii
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McGill University, Montreal, Quebec
B.A., European History(2008)

Areas of Practice:
Commercial Litigation

Professional Activities:
Licensed to practice in Hawaii State Courts
Admitted to practice in the United States District Court of Hawaii
Admitted to practice in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
Hawaii State Bar Association
Federal Bar Association-Hawaii Chapter
Lawyer Representative, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judicial Conference (2020-2022)

MAILE S. MILLER

Maile Miller is a Director of the firm. Ms. Miller is a vital member of the firm's litigation team, representing clients in a variety of matters. Ms. Miller's practice focuses on construction, business, and land use litigation, frequently appearing before Hawaii's State and Federal Courts, in addition to administrative agencies such as the City and County of Honolulu's Zoning Board of Appeals.

Ms. Miller represents a wide variety of corporate and public entity clients, ranging from Hawaii companies, to Fortune 500 firms, to international manufacturing corporations.

Ms. Miller has been selected to the **Hawaii *Super Lawyers®, "Rising Star" List*** in the practice area of Business Litigation since 2018.

Ms. Miller has been named to ***The Best Lawyers in America® 2026*** list in the practice areas of Commercial Litigation and Real Estate Litigation. Ms. Miller has also been named to ***The Best Lawyers in America®, Ones to Watch*** list in the practice areas of Land Use and Zoning Law and Environmental Litigation since 2021.

Ms. Miller has been named to the 2023 *Benchmark Litigation* list as a "Future Star".

Ms. Miller holds ***Martindale-Hubbell's®*** highest possible professional rating ***AV Preeminent®***. This rating is given by her legal peers based on their knowledge of her work, reputation and integrity.

Ms. Miller is also active in the Hawaii Federal Bar's *pro bono* program, assisting clients with their cases as they proceed through the federal court system. Ms. Miller has been selected as a lawyer representative to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii, and will serve in that position through 2023.

Examples of notable matters Ms. Miller has worked on include:

Complex Construction Defects Litigation. Represented a national grocery store chain in a complex construction dispute over defects in a flagship store. The case involved multiple parties and claims, and was litigated for several years before ultimately settling shortly before trial.

Insurance Litigation. Represented a Hawaii hardware company in an insurance

bad faith dispute against its insurance carrier. The case settled prior to trial.

Product Liability Litigation. Represented an international airplane manufacturing company over a products liability dispute relating to a helicopter crash. The case settled shortly before trial.

Contract Litigation. Represented the estate of a deceased individual in a breach of contract action by a former service provider who sought over a million dollars in compensation. A unanimous jury verdict in the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii was entered in favor of the estate on all issues, and attorneys' fees and costs were awarded.

Real Estate Disclosure Litigation. Represented a national developer regarding a contract dispute brought by an individual purchaser of units. The claims were successfully defeated on summary judgment before the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii.

Land Use Zoning Litigation. Representing a national developer regarding entitlement and environmental claims. Multiple cases are proceeding before the Zoning Board of Appeals, Circuit Court of the First Circuit in the State of Hawaii, and the Hawaii Supreme Court.

Eminent Domain Litigation. Representing a government agency in connection with the condemnation of dozens of property interests for major infrastructure improvements.

Construction Litigation. Representing a Fortune 500 international engineering, construction, and design firm in a construction dispute with a subcontractor relating to work done for a Federal Government project in Hawaii.

Prior to joining the firm in 2014, Ms. Miller served as Research Assistant to both Professor David Callies and Dean Aviam Soifer while she attended the William S. Richardson School of Law.