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Practice Areas

- Commercial Law and Litigation
- Real Estate
- Banking and Finance
- Business Formation and Transactions
- Labor and Employment
- State and Local Tax
- Administrative Regulatory

Overview

Suzanne Odom began her career with the Denver, Colorado office of Patton Boggs, LP, where she practiced primarily in the areas of products liability and complex and commercial litigation. Since moving to New Mexico in 1999, Ms. Odom's practice has focused on commercial and real estate transactions and commercial and real estate litigation. Representative transactional and general corporate matters handled include all aspects of contract drafting, review and negotiation; real estate acquisitions, sales, financing and leasing; business formations; and providing routine corporate, real estate and employment law advice to clients. Suzanne has also delivered local opinions for entities ranging from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies in connection with lending transactions and has advised out-of-state lenders regarding the nuances of New Mexico lending laws. Her litigation practice currently focuses on real property disputes, creditor disputes, commercial foreclosures and employment disputes. Rounding out her profile, Suzanne routinely handles licensing matters involving the Alcohol and Gaming and Construction Industries Divisions of New Mexico's Regulation and Licensing Department.

Background

University of Denver College of Law

Juris Doctor, 1995
Law Review Staff 1993-1995

University of Denver, Daniels College of Business, Masters of International Management (IMBA)

1995

University of Colorado, Boulder

B.S. Marketing, International Business Emphasis, 1990

Professional Memberships and Activities

State Bar of New Mexico (Labor and Employment, Real Property, Trusts and Estates Sections)
State Bar of New Mexico, Committee on Women in the Legal Professional (past co-chair)
Mediator for the First Judicial District Court ADR Program
American Bar Association (Business Law, Real Property, Trust & Estates, and Labor and Employment Law Sections; Committee on LLCs, Partnerships and Unincorporated Entities)
University of Denver College of Law, *Law Review*
American Jurisprudence Awards – Torts

Community Memberships and Activities

Leadership New Mexico – Class of 2014-2015

Publications

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., Dakotah G. Benjamin, Esq., & Elizabeth M. Piazza, Esq., Consumer Protection Law Developments, State Consumer Protection Law in New Mexico, Chapter 5, Sec. 32, Ervin Switzer & Michael Schwalbert, Eds., American Bar Association, (forthcoming 2015).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., Handling Real Estate Transactions with Confidence (Nat'l Business Institute, live presentation & national webinar, May 7, 2014) (author and speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., Op-Ed., *Misclassification of Employees Carries Penalties*, Albuquerque Journal, *Business Outlook*, July 29, 2013 at pp. 1,14. (<http://www.abqjournal.com/227043/biz/misclassification-of-employees-carries-penalties.html>)

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., & Jeff Weisman, Esq., *Curing Title Defects: Liens and Judgments, Rights of Third Parties, and Breaks in Chain of Title*, Stafford CLE Webinar, (February 20, 2014) <https://www.staffordpub.com/products/curing-title-defects-liens-judgments-rights-of-third-parties-and-breaks-in-chain-of-title-2014-02-20> (author and speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., *The Essentials of Personal Property Secured Transactions*, New Mexico State Bar, Commercial Law Section Teleconference Seminar, June 25, 2013. (speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., Legal Descriptions, Title Insurance and Surveys in Real Estate Transactions, (Nat'l Business Institute, April 3, 2013 – live presentation; July 30, 2013 – national webinar) (author and speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., et al., Top 9 Title Defects – Cured, (Nat'l Business Institute, live presentation & national webinar, April 4, 2012) (author and speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., *ADEA Waivers – The Art and Science of Drafting for Enforceability*, For the Defense, Vol. 52, No. 3, March 2010, p. 65-69, 74-75 (DRI).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., How to Keep Tax-Exempt Organizations in Compliance, (Nat'l Business Institute, live presentation & national webinar, May 5, 2009) (author and speaker).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., *What Employment Lawyers Need to Know About Copyright Law*, New Mexico Lawyer, Vol. 3, No. 4, p. 9 (October 6, 2008).

Suzanne C. Odom, Esq., Recent trends and Developments in LLC (Nat'l Business Institute, live presentation & national webinar, 2008).

Testimonial Privileges, *Accountant-Client Privilege* (Ronald S. Liebman, Robert K. Taylor, Scott N. Stone eds., 1st ed., Supp. 1997)

Honors

Martindale-Hubble Peer Review Rating – AV® Preeminent™

University of Denver College of Law, Law Review

American Jurisprudence Awards – Torts

Century III Leader (Colorado Representative, 1986)