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OVERVIEW

Kayla's legal practice is centered on building strong relationships with clients by guiding them through complex legal challenges with clarity and confidence.

She primarily focuses on corporate and commercial litigation matters in which her accessibility, clear communication, and unwavering dedication are highly valued. Kayla takes the time to ensure that clients feel informed and empowered, explaining the legal process in a straightforward manner that fosters trust and understanding.

Litigation is a natural fit for Kayla, as it allows her to engage directly with clients, serving as both an advocate and a trusted ally. While she values the behind-the-scenes work of crafting strong legal arguments, she thrives on the personal connections that come with client interaction. For Kayla, litigation is not just about resolving disputes, it is about standing by her clients and providing steadfast support as they navigate challenging situations.

Her approach to litigation is shaped by her prior experience as a judicial clerk for the Missouri Southern District Court of Appeals. During her clerkship, Kayla gained invaluable insight into how judges analyze legal arguments and make decisions, a perspective that now informs her strategy and advocacy on matters.

Kayla's passion for the law is rooted in a lifelong curiosity about the legal system and its impact on society. Growing up with a mother who taught history and government, Kayla developed an early appreciation for how systems of law and governance shape people's

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lives. Today, she channels that passion into her practice, focusing on delivering exceptional service and meaningful results for clients.

Experience

- Conducted legal research and analysis for appellate cases to support informed judicial decision-making.
- Prepared and reviewed judicial opinions, ensuring clarity, accuracy, and compliance with legal standards.
- Performed legal research and drafted key documents in workers' compensation and insurance defense cases.
- Evaluated cases, identified defense strategies, and collaborated on negotiations for favorable client outcomes.

Education

- J.D., University of Missouri School of Law
- B.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Admissions

- Missouri



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