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Stephanie Smiertka Riley focuses her practice on intellectual property and complex commercial litigation. She handles intellectual property cases in various industries including complex pharmaceutical patent litigation related to the Hatch-Waxman Act and the Biologics Price Competition Innovation Act (BPCIA). From serving as lead counsel for several years in complex pharmaceutical and medical device litigation in federal courts around the country, Stephanie offers a unique perspective on litigation strategy in addition to knowledge of Delaware practice. She also represents government entities in a variety of capacities, including advising and litigation. Her experience in complex commercial litigation extends to both plaintiffs and defendants in business disputes, consumer protection claims, and pharmaceutical and medical device multi-district litigations.

Following law school, Stephanie served as a law clerk for the Court of Common Pleas. In law school, Stephanie participated in the Domestic Violence Clinic and advocated on behalf of domestic violence survivors in appellate cases around the country.

Stephanie is a member of the Richard S. Rodney American Inn of Court, the Federal Bar Association, and serves as a volunteer representing petitioners seeking protection from abuse orders in the Delaware Family Court. She is currently a Co-Chair for the Delaware Combined Campaign for Justice which supports Delaware agencies that provide life-changing legal aid to Delawareans. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Wilmington Delaware Children's Museum.

Education

- The George Washington University Law School (J.D., 2012)
- University of Maryland, College Park (B.A., 2009)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware, 2012
- Florida, 2013
- United States District Court - District of Delaware, 2013

Professional Experience

- Delaware Court of Common Pleas (2012-2013)
- Delaware Department of Justice (2011)

Honors

- The Best Lawyers in America® - "One to Watch" (2020)

Representative Experience

- Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. v. Wyeth LLC, C.A. No. 21-24-RGA (D. Del.)

- Amgen Inc. v. Hospira, Inc. and Pfizer Inc., C.A. No. 18-1064-CFC (D. Del.)
- Arendi v. HTC Corp., C.A. No. 12-1600 (D. Del.)
- H. Lundbeck A/S, Takeda Pharmaceuticals Company LTD., Takeda Pharmaceuticals U.S.A. Inc., Takeda Pharmaceuticals International AG and Takeda Pharmaceuticals America, Inc. v. Torrent Pharmaceuticals Limited and Torrent Pharma Inc., C.A. No. 18-88-LPS (D. Del.)
- TriMed, Inc. v. Arthrex, Inc., C.A. No. 18-666-MN (D. Del.)
- Eagle Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Teva Pharmaceuticals Int'l GmbH and Cephalon Inc. v. Hospira, Inc., C.A. No. 18-1074-CFC (D. Del.)
- Laurel Gardens, LLC et al., v. Timothy McKenna, et al., CA No. 17-570 (U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, January 17, 2020)

Speaking Engagements

- *Planning Your Community's Future*, University of Delaware Institute for Public Administration (January 24, 2020)

Publications

- *Adapting to a New Life: The slow learning curve of working and parenting during COVID*, Delaware Lawyer (Fall 2020)
- *Medical Monitoring*, Trial Magazine, Vol. 54, No. 7 (July 2018)
- *Advocacy and Credibility*, Trial Magazine, Vol. 54, No. 1 (January 2018)