

Lana K. Varney

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Lana Varney believes practicing law is like fly fishing: preparation, presentation, and perseverance required. Global drug and medical device companies call on Lana when they need help with defending product liability litigation in the US, or when they want to try and avoid it all together. She currently serves as national counsel for several international companies defending claims against an osteoporosis medication, an afib drug, an anti-epilepsy drug, and female pelvic mesh medical devices. She has defended human blood products and plasma derived biologics, over the counter cough/cold products containing PPA, penile implants, seizure medications, bipolar treatments, and antidiuretic hormones.

After 20 years of the above, Lana also assists clients with developing best practices and procedures to avoid litigation. She develops Litigation Avoidance Programs tailored to meet client specific company goals.

An experienced trial lawyer in courts all over the country, Lana is known for developing cost-saving and effective legal strategies for defending multiple lawsuits filed in multiple venues. She creates unique approaches to assessing inventories of cases and assisting clients with defending against them.

Matters

Currently serving as national trial counsel for an international medical device company in female pelvic mesh litigation

Serving as national trial counsel for a global pharmaceutical company in osteoporosis medication litigation involving allegations of osteonecrosis of the jaw and atypical femur fractures

Serving as national counsel for a global pharmaceutical drug company in afib medication involving allegations of liver damage

Serving as national counsel for a global pharmaceutical drug company in anti-epilepsy medication involving allegations of SJS/TENs

Successfully defended an international pharmaceutical company in over the counter cough/cold medicine litigation in several trials while serving as national counsel (allegations involved strokes)

Served as key strategist to national trial counsel for an international pharmaceutical company in

Hemophilia/AIDS litigation and successfully defended the company in several trials

Developed an effective Litigation Readiness Program for a Japanese pharmaceutical company, including teaching of best practices to President and Board of Directors and all key management executives

Developed cost-effective inventory assessment protocol for use in mass torts for international drug and device companies

Credentials

ADMISSIONS

Texas

ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association

State Bar of Texas

Texas Association of Defense Counsel

Defense Research Institute

International Association of Defense Counsel

The University of Texas School of Law, Adjunct Professor

Healthcare Businesswomen's Association, Inc., Member

Supreme Court of Texas, Briefing Attorney, 1989–1990

IADC 31st Trial Academy, Faculty Member

Recognition

Texas Super Lawyer, General litigation

THOMSON REUTERS, 2014–2018

Texas Top Rated Lawyer

LEXISNEXIS MARTINDALE-HUBBELL, 2013–2018

The Best Lawyers in America

BEST LAWYERS, 2007–2019

Life Science Star, Non-IP Litigation: Product Liability

LMG LIFE SCIENCES, 2015–2018

Texas Women Lawyers

BEST LAWYERS, 2014

Women in Business Law, Product Liability

EXPERT GUIDES, 2012–2018

Litigation and Product Liability Lawyer

EXPERT GUIDES, 2012-2018

Profiles in Power, finalist
AUSTIN BUSINESS JOURNAL, 2009

Insights

ARTICLE

September 21, 2018 • Source: In-House Defense Quarterly
Defending Your Client's Confidential Documents in the Big Data Age

CLIENT ALERT

October 6, 2020
FDA Announces Updates to Two Guidance Documents Concerning Breast Implant Safety and Transparency

September 1, 2020
FDA Continues its Focus on Breast Implant Safety and Transparency with an Eye Toward Improving Regulatory Decision-Making

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Events

CONFERENCE

November 12, 2019
12th Annual King & Spalding Pharmaceutical University

September 5, 2019
12th Annual Medical Device Summit

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

November 28, 2018
Andy Bayman, Lana Varney to Speak at ACI's Annual Conference on Drug & Medical Device Litigation

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News

PRESS RELEASE

August 15, 2018
Best Lawyers in America Recognizes Over 100 King & Spalding Lawyers in 2019 Rankings

RECOGNITION

August 21, 2020
The Best Lawyers in America Recognizes 128 King & Spalding Lawyers in its 2021 Guide

August 16, 2019
The Best Lawyers in America Recognizes 115 King & Spalding Lawyers in its 2020 Guide

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