



Linda Degman

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“Getting to know clients by listening to and understanding their business, goals, and objectives is essential to helping them navigate the issues at hand. Working collaboratively with clients as part of their team, allows me to add value by providing creative, thoughtful, and forward-thinking solutions.”

Linda Degman brings extensive practical, industry experience in construction, public contracting, design, and land use. Before joining Miller Nash, Linda was with Portland Community College for nearly 20 years, including serving as the bond program director and the director of planning & capital construction, where she oversaw improvements, planning, construction, and real estate acquisition for the college. Linda was responsible for college-wide planning and development, which included leading the college’s affordable housing strategy and negotiations. Her work has been centered on enhancing equity and building diversity in the construction workforce.

Professional Activities

- Multnomah Bar Association, Member
- Oregon State Bar, Member
 - Client Security Fund Committee, Member
- Society of College and Urban Planners, Member

Civic Activities

- Coos Bay Oregon Law Center/Central Oregon Legal Aid Services of Oregon (LASO), Miller Nash Expungement Clinic Pro Bono Attorney, 2022-present
- Beaverton School District, Board Member, 2012-2017

Publications

- “Having Authority—and Being Responsible—for Another in Construction,” National Association of Minority Contractors Oregon, *NAMC-Oregon Newsletter*, coauthor (July 2022)

Education

J.D., Mitchell Hamline School of Law, 2021

- Certificate, Alternative Dispute Resolution

M.P.A., Portland State University, public administration, 2004

B.S., Portland State University, 2001

Bar Admissions

Oregon, 2021

Washington, 2022

Presentations

- “Retainage, Back Charges, and Withholdings—Law and Best Practices in Oregon & Washington,” Miller Nash, Construction Webinar Series (Oct. 2023)
- “Annual Construction Case Law Update,” Oregon State Bar, Empowering Diversity and Enhancing Justice in the Construction Industry CLE (Oct. 2023)
- “When Ignorance Isn’t Bliss...,” The Seminar Group, 28th Annual Oregon Construction Law CLE (Sept. 2023)
- “The Dos and Don’ts of Public Contracting in 2023—Procurement Processes,” Miller Nash, Construction Webinar Series (Feb. 2023)

Recognition & Honors

- National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Award, 2022
- *Daily Journal of Commerce Oregon*, Women of Vision Award, 2018

Personal Activities

Linda enjoys spending time with her children and grandsons, listening to podcasts on health and nutrition, exercising, gardening, and reading.