



Brianna J. Morrison

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"I am receptive to the needs of clients. I like to gain detailed information regarding the concerns of the client and use that information to craft the most advantageous solution. I am committed to providing clients with candor, professionalism, and favorable outcomes."

Brianna Morrison works with the firm's financial services department, where she provides counsel to creditors on a variety of issues. Brianna's work includes representing clients in bankruptcy, creditors in collection actions, and creditors in enforcing and collecting on judgments. Brianna also has experience representing higher educational institutions regarding disputes over student loans.

Before joining Miller Nash, Brianna practiced at a firm in South Carolina where she assisted clients in Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, as well as Subchapter V of Chapter 11. During her time in South Carolina, Brianna also represented the Chapter 7 trustee in avoidance actions, such as preferential and fraudulent transfers under the Statute of Elizabeth.

During law school, Brianna clerked for the National Indian Country Training Coordinator at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Brianna also had the chance to work with a group of students to draft a Family Law Code for the Catawba Nation of South Carolina. She also served as a legal extern for the Honorable David R. Duncan of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina where she researched the Statute of Elizabeth and worked on a bankruptcy guide for *pro se* debtors.

Brianna's experience in bankruptcy law and knowledge of the Bankruptcy Code enables her to resolve complex issues, and craft efficient solutions for clients.

Professional Activities

- State Lawyers Assistance Committee, 2024
- South Carolina Bankruptcy Law Association, 2020-present
- Oregon Women Lawyers, Member
- J. Bratton Davis American Bankruptcy Inn of Court, 2021-present

Education

J.D., University of South Carolina School of Law, 2020

Senior Articles
 Editor, South
 Carolina Journal of
 International Law &
 Business

B.A., Washington & Jefferson College, history, 2017

Bar Admissions

Washington, 2023 Oregon, 2022 South Carolina, 2020

Court Admissions

South Carolina Supreme Court, 2020

U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina, 2021

U.S. District Court, District of Oregon, 2022



Civic Activities

- Volunteer for the Credit Abuse Reeducation Program (CARE)
- Volunteer for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Pro Bono Panel for the District of Oregon

Representative Experience

Debtor-Creditor

- Represented national rental car company in a state court arbitration regarding a collection matter, obtaining
 a general judgment based on the arbitration award in favor of client, leading to payment in satisfaction of
 judgment.
- Assisted a client in the plumbing, waterworks, and hydronics industry with domestication of foreign judgment and garnishment, leading to payment in full and satisfaction of judgment.
- Assisted client with ejectment in Washington, leading to the client gaining full possession of the property.
- Negotiated settlements for numerous clients in various collection matters, leading to payment in full.
- Represented opportunistic real estate fund in objections to plans in Chapter 13 bankruptcy proceedings.

Education

 Prepared responses to Borrower Defense to Repayment Applications for multiple higher education clients, skillfully navigating the associated regulations.

Prior to Joining Miller Nash LLP

- Represented Chapter 7 debtors in a reply to an objection to the debtors' homestead exemption in the debtors' house and burial plots. The court denied the objection and declared that under the South Carolina homestead exemption statute a debtor can claim an exemption in both a homestead and burial plot if the combined value is below the exemption limit.
- Assisted the supervising attorney in representing a hotel in a Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding. Drafted first
 day motions and assisted the client in completing the initial debtor interview and monthly operating reports.
- Represented the Chapter 7 trustee in multiple preference actions against creditors and negotiated favorable settlements.
- Conducted multiple Bankruptcy Rule 2004 examinations for the Chapter 7 trustee to uncover potential assets for the estate and potential Statute of Elizabeth claims.

Publications

- "Oregon Enacts Bill Changing Debt Collection Practices," Miller Nash, Bank Law Monitor, coauthor (May 2024)
- "Winding Down and Bankruptcy Options for Nonprofit Entities," Nonprofit Association of Oregon, coauthor (Mar. 2024)
- "Employer Issues in Bankruptcy," Miller Nash, Bank Law Monitor (Feb. 2024)
- "Who's Gonna Pay? Borrower Defense to Repayment Applications and the Foggy Landscape Surrounding Student Debt," Oregon State Bar, Debtor-Creditor Newsletter (Fall 2023)
- "Oregon Bankruptcy Court Decides a Post-Foreclosure, but Post-Petition Eviction of a Borrower Violates the Automatic Stay," Miller Nash, Bank Law Monitor (Aug. 2023)
- "The Supreme Court Abrogates Tribal Immunity in Bankruptcy Proceedings," Miller Nash, Bank Law Monitor, coauthor (June 2023)
- "In the Aftermath of Crypto Winter: Protective Measures for Creditors' Bitcoin Collateral," *Debtor-Creditor Section Newsletter* (June 2023)
- "Viewpoint: Inside Landlord Rights and Remedies in Tenant Insolvencies," Portland Business Journal, coauthor (July 2022)

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Presentations

 "Credit Cards and Interest Rates," Carolina Forest High School, Credit Abuse Resistance Education (CARE) program (May 2022)

Recognition & Honors

- Selected for inclusion as an Oregon Super Lawyer—Rising Star, 2024-present
- Konduros Leadership Fellow
- Alfred H. Sweet Prize in Historical Research

Personal Activities

Brianna enjoys an active lifestyle, whether it's swimming six miles in the ocean or running a 32-mile obstacle course. She also has a passion for drawing and painting.