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### AREAS OF PRACTICE

Health Care Liability  
Long-Term Care Liability  
Product Liability  
Property Litigation  
Construction Injury Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Appellate Advocacy & Post-Trial Practice

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### ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania  
2004

### EDUCATION

The George Washington  
University Law School (J.D., cum  
laude, 2004)

University of Pennsylvania (B.A.,  
cum laude, 2001)

### YEAR JOINED

2006

### OVERVIEW

Elizabeth is a shareholder in the Health Care Department, where she focuses her practice in the areas of medical and dental malpractice, with a secondary focus on premises and product liability cases. She also handles large-scale personal injury claims arising from construction accidents.

Elizabeth has represented a large number of doctors, dentists, physician assistants, certified registered nurse practitioners and nurses in a multitude of malpractice actions. She has also represented clients in construction liability cases involving the representation of general contractors, subcontractors, engineers, architects and surveyors; premises liability cases involving the representation of commercial shopping centers, corporate centers, health care offices, etc.; and product liability cases with respect to the representation of manufacturers, distributors and wholesalers.

Elizabeth graduated *cum laude* from The George Washington University School of Law. She was awarded the American Bar Association/Bureau of National Affairs Award. She completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Pennsylvania, where she graduated *cum laude* and with distinction in her major of International Relations.

### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

#### On the Horns of a Trial Dilemma: Addressing a Prior Conviction on Direct Examination or Waiving the Right to Contest the Admissibility on Appeal

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#### Waiving the Right to Seek Arbitration: New Court Ruling Limits Parties' Ability to Seek to Enforce Arbitration Clause

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## **CLASSES/SEMINARS TAUGHT**

*Creating a Trial Notebook*, Institute for Paralegal Education, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 18, 2015

## **PUBLISHED WORKS**

"Waiving the Right to Seek Arbitration: New Court Ruling Limits Parties' Ability to Seek to Enforce Arbitration Clause," *Defense Digest*, January 2021, Vol. 27, No. 1

"Case Update: Secretary of Labor v. Summit Contractors, Inc.: A Revival of the Controlling Employer OSHA Citation Policy on Multi-Employer Worksites," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 15, No. 2, 2009

"The Summit Decision: Limiting General Contractor's Liability Under OSHA for Safety Violations of its Subcontractors at Multi-Employer Construction Sites," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 15, No. 1, 2009

"Show Me The Merit: Pennsylvania's Certificate of Merit Requirement And Substantial Compliance," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 13, No. 2, 2007