



## Meredith A. Jones-McKeown

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### PRACTICE AREAS

- Real Estate
- Environmental
- Litigation
- Construction and Infrastructure

### INDUSTRIES

- Construction and Infrastructure

### OVERVIEW

Meredith Jones-McKeown is a trial attorney specializing in construction, environmental, government contracts and real estate litigation.

#### Areas of Practice

In 2011, Ms. Jones-McKeown was named a "Rising Star" by Northern California Super Lawyers. Ms. Jones-McKeown has also been ranked by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business as an "Up and Coming" Lawyer in California Construction, which noted: "[Meredith Jones-McKeown is an] up-and-comer, noted for her tenacity [and] an excellent command over the facts of a case as they apply to the law."

Ms. Jones-McKeown litigates complex commercial matters, with particular emphasis on litigation arising out of private and public construction projects, real estate disputes, Proposition 65 and environmental clean-up actions. She has successfully tried cases in state and federal court as well as private arbitration.

### EDUCATION

- J.D., University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall), 2004
- B.A., Columbia College, Columbia University, 2000, *cum laude*

### CLERKSHIPS

- Extern to the Honorable Susan Illston, United States District Court, Northern District of California

### ADMISSIONS

- California
- U.S. District Courts for the Central, Eastern, and Northern Districts of California
- Ninth Circuit

### EXPERIENCE

#### Representative Matters

- Trial counsel in AAA arbitration representing general contractor in claims arising out of delayed construction project. With more than \$22 million in dispute, defeated respondent's \$16 million cross-claim and obtained victory (95% recovery) on behalf of claimant. Obtained \$1.5 million attorney's fees award.
- Trial counsel representing manufacturer against CERCLA and NRDA claims in Superfund clean-up action in Oregon.

- Trial counsel in AAA arbitration arising out of termination for default by utility company of EPC contractor on project to construct a power generating facility in Alaska, resulting in favorable settlement during trial.
- Lead trial counsel representing owner in plaintiff-side disgorgement claim (B&P § 7031) against general contractor. Obtained favorable settlement from insurance carrier immediately prior to ruling on motion for summary judgment. Defeated all affirmative claims.
- Trial counsel in state court bench trial on multi-million dollar land use dispute, resulting in favorable settlement agreement mid-trial.
- Trial counsel representing public owner against general contractor's \$5 million claims. Obtained terminating sanctions that fully disposed of claims based on general contractor's persistent discovery abuses.
- Represented manufacturers and retailers in Proposition 65 matters regarding products containing propoxur, cadmium, or other chemicals.

**HONORS**

- Northern California Rising Star, *Super Lawyers*, 2011