

# Savannah Billingham-Hemminger Associate

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Savannah provides representation for both insurance and reinsurance clients in complex coverage disputes, litigation, and arbitration.

### **OVERVIEW**

Savannah is an associate in the firm's Insurance + Reinsurance Practice Group. Her practice involves litigation, arbitration, and counseling on a variety of commercial disputes, with an emphasis on complex insurance and reinsurance matters. Savannah has experience in pre-litigation issues, including claims handling, claims investigation, and general coverage, as well as with a wide range of insurance policies including directors and officers (D&O), commercial general liability, professional indemnity, and architects and engineers (A&E).

On reinsurance matters, Savannah has worked on various cases through all stages of arbitration. She has experience with reinsurance disputes involving yearly renewable term reinsurance premiums, recapture provisions, and policy exclusions.

Savannah has a background and experience in international commercial arbitration, including research into the interaction of state law and the Federal Arbitration Act (FAA), recent issues in evidence procurement and enforcement, and institutional rules.

While completing her law degree, she served as editor-in-chief for the *Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal*, and hosted a day-and-a-half-long conference discussing the new ALI Restatement of International Commercial and Investor-State Arbitration. Savannah graduated with a certificate in Dispute Resolution from the internationally recognized Straus Institute, as well as a certificate from Palmer Center for Entrepreneurship and the Law, and a certificate in International and Comparative Law from Pepperdine School of Law.

Savannah also maintains a pro bono practice covering immigration matters such as deportation, asylum, and Convention Against Torture (CAT) proceedings, and has worked on wrongful conviction matters. Additionally, she volunteers at a local drop-in clinic covering immigration and domestic violence concerns, and she works on Civil Protective Order (CPO) cases.

\*Licensed to practice law in the District of Columbia. Not admitted in Massachusetts.

## **AWARDS**

- Recipient of High Honors for 100+ hours of pro bono service, 2022 Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll
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- Insurance + Reinsurance
- International Dispute Resolution
- <u>Litigation + Trial</u>

#### PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Law-School Outreach sub-committee member, International Arbitration Committee, International Law Section, and American Bar Association (ABA), 2022-present
- Mentee, 7<sup>th</sup>Cycle of the Young International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) Mentorship Programme, 2020-2021

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Intern, CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution, 2019

### **EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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- Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law, J.D., 2020
- University of South Carolina, B.S., 2017

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

· District of Columbia

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

 Panelist, "Everything You Want to Know About a Career in International Arbitration," hosted by the International Arbitration Committee of the International Law Section of the ABA at University of California of San Francisco Law School, February 7, 2023.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Co-author, "SCOTUS Declines to Decide Missouri Corporation's Question of International Comity and State Law," Troutman Pepper Locke, March 10, 2025.
- Contributor, "2024 D&O and Professional Liability Year in Review," Troutman Pepper Locke, February 12, 2025.

- Co-author, "Minnesota Court Denies Substitution Motion: Implications for Litigation Funders," Troutman Pepper, March 6, 2024.
- Contributor, "D&O and Professional Liability 2023: A Year in Review," Troutman Pepper, February 28, 2024.
- Contributor, "D&O and Professional Liability 2022 | A Year in Review," Troutman Pepper, February 6, 2023.
- Contributor, "<u>D&O and Professional Liability 2021 | A Year in Review</u>," *Troutman Pepper*, February 22, 2022.
- Contributor, "<u>D&O and Professional Liability 2020 | A Year in Review</u>," *Troutman Pepper*, March 1, 2021.