

# Madeline Smith, Associate

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## Overview



Madeline Smith strives to be a valuable advocate for her clients and achieve the best possible results based on their objectives. To that end, she develops a goal-oriented strategy for each case, keeping in mind what judges and juries care about, and taking the time to develop and understand the underlying subject matter. Madeline believes in

aggressive advocacy, with insights developed through her litigation experience.

Madeline's practice focuses on defending claims of personal injury, maritime, and workers' compensation matters, including Louisiana state and Longshore, construction, and premises liability. Madeline is also proficient in issues of insurance coverage and defense and indemnity obligations.

In her free time, Madeline enjoys spending time with her dogs and cats and baking.

### Representative Matters

- Achieved a directed verdict in a maritime allision case at trial.
- Obtained a complete dismissal of construction defect claim against client on exception of preemption.
- Completed several coverage opinions related to housing associations, toxin exposure, and construction defect claims.
- Successfully argued a motion to compel discovery to obtain medical funding company payment amounts to reduce a settlement demand.

## Education

- J.D., Paul M. Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University
- B.S., Texas Tech Rawls College of Business

## Admissions

- Louisiana, 2018
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana
- U.S. District Courts for the Western District of Louisiana

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## Practices

Maritime & Admiralty  
Workers' Compensation  
Insurance Defense & Coverage  
Litigation  
Premises Liability  
Construction  
Subrogation

## Industries

Maritime & Admiralty  
Trucking & Transportation  
Insurance  
Construction

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

## Associations

- Federal Bar Association
- Louisiana State Bar Association
- New Orleans Bar Association
- Women's International Shipping and Trading Association