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### Practice Areas

Commercial Liability Defense

### Education

Lewis and Clark Law School, J.D.,  
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Lawrence University, B.A., *summa  
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### Bar Admissions

Oregon  
Washington  
Idaho

### Certification & Accolades

Member, Oregon State Bar  
Association

Member, Washington State Bar  
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Member, Idaho State Bar  
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Member, Multnomah County Bar  
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## Expertise Overview

Melanie is a litigator with a diverse civil litigation practice focusing on catastrophic injury, premises liability, automobile liability, dram shop, and commercial litigation. Melanie's practice takes her all over the state of Oregon and Washington regularly, and occasionally into Idaho as well. She has given a number of presentations on changes in Oregon and Washington law highlighting the Pacific Northwest's unique legal landscape.

## Professional Background

Before joining Smith Freed Eberhard in 2015, Melanie acted as the primary attorney for insurance subrogation claims. This high-volume practice placed a premium on efficiency, diligence, and energy that has carried over into her current practice.

In law school, Melanie won awards for both client advocacy and legal writing. Some of Melanie's first experiences in the legal community were volunteering for the Washington County Family Law Assistance Program and working at the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic.

## Personal Life

Melanie is an Oregon native and grew up in a handful of smaller, Southern Oregon towns. She moved to the big city for law school, fell in love with Portland, and can't imagine being anywhere else. Away from work, Melanie can usually be found teaching knitting lessons at a local yarn shop, checking out a local brewery, or getting her yearly supply of Vitamin D during the 4 months of the year that it's dry enough to be outside.