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Kelly Hutchinson practices complex litigation defense in pharmaceutical, medical device, products liability, and toxic tort matters. She is currently representing a pharmaceutical company and assisting with all aspects of corporate, fact, and expert discovery. As a member of the trial team defending the company against alleged personal injuries from an FDA-approved medication, her responsibilities include, but are not limited to, preparing for and conducting fact witness depositions, overseeing individual case development and case management, preparing for corporate witness depositions, drafting motions, analyzing discovery documents, and drafting written discovery responses.

Kelly also has represented a petrochemical manufacturer in contract-related claims brought by an international construction contractor involving a megaproject at the plant.

In 2025, as a guardian *ad litem*, she secured a favorable outcome for a pro bono client in a custody dispute following a three-day trial at the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

Kelly serves as a co-chair of the Women Attorneys of Hollingsworth. Inspired by those who have supported her own career development, Kelly also serves as a mentor to summer associates and younger attorneys at the firm.

Kelly earned her J.D. from The George Washington University Law School, where she was a member of the *Federal Communications Law Journal* and served on the Mock Trial board and the Moot Court Honors board. Kelly is a recipient of the Judge Albert H. Grenadier Award for Excellence in Oral Advocacy and a 2023 Pro Bono Honors Recipient.

During law school, Kelly served as a Student Attorney at Rising for Justice Housing Advocacy and Litigation Clinic, a nonprofit legal clinic, where she represented clients pro bono before the D.C. Superior Court in eviction, affordable housing, and tenants' rights matters under federal and District of Columbia law. She also served as a Judicial Intern for the Honorable Elizabeth C. Wingo at the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. She was a member of the firm's 2022 Summer Associate class.

Having graduated in the top 5% of her class from Auburn University, Kelly received her B.A., *summa cum laude*, in communications, with a minor in marketing. There, she served as a Director on the Auburn Panhellenic Cabinet, and Sorority Director of Philanthropy. During her undergraduate years, she also studied abroad in Rome and in Madrid.

Services

Complex Litigation
Discovery
Engineering & Construction
Environmental
Natural Resource Damages
Pharmaceutical & Medical Device
Products Liability & Toxic Torts

Education

George Washington University Law School (J.D., 2023)
Auburn University (B.A., 2019, *summa cum laude*)

Admissions

District of Columbia

Accolades

- Capital Pro Bono High Honor Roll, 2024