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When Elyse Shimada sets a goal, she usually achieves it. A competitive runner and current member of the Capital Area Runners, she has run four marathons and won the Orange County Half-Marathon in 2011. Her competitive streak doesn't stop with running, rather it has helped shape her approach to the practice of law. Ambitious and determined, Elyse is compelled to learn the facts behind a case better than anyone else involved and takes pride in getting things done right. Meeting clients' expectations is one thing, but Elyse always strives to exceed them.

While defending manufacturers in a wide range of products liability matters before state and federal courts across the country, Elyse works efficiently with many balls in the air, also handling insurance coverage matters, helping clients to recover against insurers for covered claims.

As an on-site member of multiple trial teams, Elyse has handled all aspects of trial preparation including pre-trial motions, legal research, witness preparation, and developing direct and cross-examination outlines and demonstratives. She has considerable experience in corporate defense and has helped prepare numerous corporate representatives for deposition and trial, as well as managed all aspects of the corporate document review and production process, and third-party discovery matters. As part of her practice, she has authored a wide variety of motions and briefs, including appellate briefs submitted in U.S. federal circuit courts.

Prior to joining Hollingsworth LLP, Elyse served as a law clerk to the Honorable Thomas C. Wheeler of the United States Court of Federal Claims. While there, she worked on government contract (bid protests), patent, and military pay cases, as well as takings claims, including a six-week trial of *Starr International v. United States*.

While at George Washington University Law School, Elyse was one of the managing editors of the *Public Contract Law Journal* and a member of the Mock Trial Board. She was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa honor society while at the University of California, Irvine.

Services

Amicus
Business Interruption & Commercial Disputes
Complex Litigation
Discovery
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Pharmaceutical & Medical Device
Products Liability & Toxic Torts
Risk Mitigation & Management

Education

George Washington University Law School (J.D., 2014, *cum laude*)
University of California, Irvine (B.A., 2010, *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa)

Admissions

District of Columbia
California
United States District Court for the Northern District of California
United States Court of Federal Claims

Accolades

- *Best Lawyers in America Ones to Watch*, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants, 2024-2027
- *Best Lawyers in America Ones to Watch*, Insurance Law, 2026
- *Super Lawyers* Rising Star, Personal Injury Products Defense, 2023 and 2024
- "Wonderful Women", *Lawyers of Color*, 2023