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Elyse A. Shimada practices in the Firm's Complex Litigation, Pharmaceutical Products, and Toxic Torts & Products Liability groups, where she defends manufacturers in a wide range of products liability matters before state and federal courts across the country. In addition, she has experience in insurance coverage matters, helping clients to recover against insurers for covered claims.

Ms. Shimada has handled all aspects of trial preparation including pre-trial motions, legal research, and witness preparation, and developing direct and cross-examination outlines and demonstratives. 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. Ms. Shimada has also assisted in the preparation and defense of depositions of corporate representatives, as well as assisted on depositions of expert witnesses. She has managed corporate document collection and review, as well as third party discovery matters.

Prior to joining the Firm, Ms. Shimada served as a law clerk to The Honorable Thomas C. Wheeler of the United States Court of Federal Claims. While at the United States Court of Federal Claims, she worked on government contract cases (bid protests), patent cases, military pay cases, and takings claims, including a six-week trial of *Starr International v. United States*, 121 Fed. Cl. 428 (2015).

Ms. Shimada received her J.D., *cum laude*, in 2014 from George Washington University Law School where she was one of the Managing Editors of the *Public Contract Law Journal* and a member of the Mock Trial Board. She graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of California, Irvine, where she was also elected to the Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

A competitive runner and current member of the Capital Area Runners, Ms. Shimada has run four marathons and won the Orange County Half-Marathon in 2011.

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University of California, Irvine
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Admissions

District of Columbia and
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United States District Court for
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United States Court of Federal
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