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## Overview

Eryn helps individuals and entities resolve complex disputes and respond to government investigations.

Eryn focuses on commercial and regulatory matters in state and federal courts, including white collar criminal defense, employment litigation and tax disputes. Eryn has represented clients with respect to employment discrimination litigation, non-competition agreements, FDA and unfair trade practices investigations, securities fraud and false claims act defense, and criminal and grand jury investigations of all sizes.

Eryn provides pro bono legal services through the U.S. District Court Pro Bono Panel, and reviews inquiries as a volunteer attorney for the Oregon Innocence Project. While at Garvey Schubert Barer, she served as a volunteer Special Deputy District Attorney with the Multnomah County District Attorney's office for a four-week span as part of its Jury Trial Experience Project.

Before joining the firm, she was an associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York, where she worked on a variety of civil matters, including class-action securities fraud, class-action employment discrimination litigation, and other major commercial litigation on behalf of financial institutions.

Eryn attended the University of Chicago, earning both undergraduate and law degrees. As a law student, she participated in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Project, assisting in the representation of children and adults accused of serious felonies. Before law school, she was the General Manager of the Portland cultural institution and bar, Produce Row Café.

## Areas of Focus

- [Litigation](#)
- [Alternative Dispute Resolution](#)
- [Antitrust & Consumer Protection](#)
- [Construction](#)
- [Family-Owned & Closely Held Businesses](#)
- [Financial Services](#)
- [Fund Formation, Compliance & Syndications](#)
- [Securities Litigation & Enforcement](#)

## Admissions

- Oregon, 2010
- Washington, 2020
- New York, 2009

## Education

- J.D., University of Chicago Law School, 2008
- A.B., University of Chicago (with honors), Economics and Public Policy Studies, 2003

## Honors & Recognition

- Legal 500 City Elite
  - Portland - Commercial Disputes, 2026

## Professional Activities

- Women's White Collar Defense Association, Member, 2018-present
  - Oregon-Idaho Chapter, Executive Committee Member, 2019-present
- Multnomah Bar Association, Member, 2010-present
  - Board of Directors, 2021-2024; CLE Committee Chair, 2020-2021
- Owen M. Panner American Inn of Court, Member, 2013-present
  - Executive Committee, 2024-present
  - Pupilage Group Leader, 2018-2020
- Oregon Women Lawyers, Member, 2010-present
  - Fall CLE Committee, 2012-2015

## Community Activities

- CLEAR Clinic
  - Board Member, 2023-present

- PHAME
  - Board Member, 2013-2019; Board Chair, 2017-2019

## News & Insights

### Blog Posts

[Junk Fee Prevention Act: Senators Introduce Bill to Eliminate Excessive Fees for Consumers](#)

[03.31.23](#)

### News

[18 Foster Garvey Attorneys Named to 2026 Legal 500 City Elite Lists](#)

[01.21.26](#)

[Summer Associates Team Up With the Truth, Hope & Justice Initiative to Drive Systemic Change](#)

[05.31.24](#)

[Eryn Karpinski Hoerster Elected to Multnomah Bar Association Board of Directors](#)

[06.01.21](#)

[ACLU of Washington Files Lawsuit Against Washington Department of Licensing for Suspending Licenses of Individuals Who Cannot Afford to Pay Fines for Moving Violations](#)

[10.07.20](#)

### Events

[“Junk Fee Breakdown,” AHIA 2023 Spring Meeting](#)

[04.20.23](#)

[“Joint Defense Agreements,” Women’s White Collar Defense Association Luncheon \(Oregon Chapter\)](#)

[04.26.19](#)

### Legal Alerts

[FTC Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Regarding Junk Fees and Drip Pricing; January 9, 2023 Comment Deadline](#)

[11.22.22](#)

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