



## Eliza Finley

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### *Overview*

Eliza represents plaintiffs and defendants in complex litigation in courtrooms across the country. She has litigated cases spanning a variety of practice areas including antitrust, breach of contract, business disputes, intellectual property, employment, and healthcare. Similarly, Eliza's clients range from large, well-known corporations to small businesses and individuals.

#### **HIGH STAKES LITIGATION**

Eliza was part of a team of lawyers who won a \$287 million jury verdict on behalf of Dutch telecommunications company Koninklijke KPN N.V. (KPN) in a breach of contract dispute with Samsung Electronics Co. A Texas state court jury returned the verdict after four days of trial and just over three hours of deliberation. Leading up to trial Eliza led deposition efforts, drafted successful oppositions to Samsung's motion for summary judgment and motion to exclude her side's damages expert, and successfully excluded portions of testimony by Samsung's experts. [Read more.](#)

Eliza represented Sol IP in its patent infringement litigation against AT&T, Sprint, and Verizon in the Eastern District of Texas. Due in large part to critical information obtained by Eliza while leading deposition efforts, the matter settled one month before trial.

Eliza is now defending Renalogic, Inc. and Anchor Benefit Consulting in a lawsuit filed in Florida state court by various Fresenius entities alleging tortious interference in business relations. The matter is in discovery and Eliza plays a significant role in taking and defending depositions and developing case strategies.

#### **BACKGROUND**

# SUSMAN GODFREY

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Eliza joined Susman Godfrey after completing an Equal Justice Works fellowship at the non-profit law firm Public Counsel where she provided free legal assistance in the areas of housing rights, benefits, and special education. Eliza also spent a year clerking for Judge Christina Snyder of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

Eliza received her law degree, *magna cum laude*, from Harvard Law School. Before attending law school, she taught ninth-grade math in Louisiana with Teach for America. She earned her undergraduate degree from Pomona College where she graduated *magna cum laude* and double-majored in economics and gender studies.

## *Clerkships*

Honorable Christina Snyder, United States District Court for the Central District of California

## *Education*

**Harvard Law School** (J.D., magna cum laude, 2014)

**Pomona College** (B.A, Economics, Gender Studies, magna cum laude, 2009)

## *Wins*

Susman Godfrey Secures \$287 Million Verdict for KPN in Samsung Breach of Contract Trial