

JESSAMYN S. BERNIKER, PARTNER

Jessamyn Berniker's practice is focused on patent litigation, although she has also litigated criminal, copyright, antitrust, legal malpractice, and general civil matters. Ms. Berniker has handled patent litigation matters in various industries, including the pharmaceutical, biotechnological, electronic, digital media, and medical device industries. She has handled matters on behalf of patentees as well as alleged infringers. Since arguing her first patent case before the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in 2003, Ms. Berniker has appeared regularly in district court, has examined fact and expert witnesses in trials around the country, has taken numerous depositions, and has prepared several summary judgment and appellate briefs. Recently, Ms. Berniker second-chaired a patent trial, successfully argued claim construction on behalf of a pharmaceutical client, and helped an alleged infringer both win summary judgment invalidating a key biotechnology patent and further obtain a \$92.5 million settlement from the patentee.

Before joining Williams & Connolly in 2002, Ms. Berniker was a law clerk to the Honorable Arthur J. Gajarsa of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Ms. Berniker graduated *magna cum laude* from Pacific Lutheran University in 1998 with a B.S. in Chemistry and a B.A. in French. During college and prior to law school she spent several months conducting organic chemistry research at Argonne National Laboratory. Ms. Berniker obtained her J.D. degree *cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 2001. Ms. Berniker speaks Hebrew fluently and is proficient in French.

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

- Law Clerk, Judge Arthur J. Gajarsa, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, 2001-2002

PUBLICATIONS

- *Legal Implications of Discrimination in Medical Practice*, Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics, Spring 2000



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PRACTICE AREAS

- Intellectual Property
- Patent Litigation

EDUCATION AND HONORS

- Harvard Law School, J.D., *cum laude*, 2001
- Pacific Lutheran University, B.S. and B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1998

BAR AND COURT**ADMISSIONS**

- District of Columbia, Massachusetts and New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States District Courts for the District of Maryland, District of Massachusetts and Southern District of New York