Margo E. Shipley

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Margo Shipley concentrates her practice in litigation, assisting clients in the areas of Complex Business, Insurance, Torts, and General Litigation. She represents corporate clients and individuals at all stages of litigation in Oklahoma federal and state courts.

Margo earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Tulsa College of Law, where she graduated as class valedictorian. While in law school, Margo served as Notes & Comments Editor for the Tulsa Law Review and was inducted into the Order of the Curule Chair. She earned the Oklahoma Bar Association's Outstanding Family Law Student Award, the University of Tulsa College of Law's Colonel Graham Kirkpatrick Award for Family Law, and the Judge W. Lee Johnson Award for highest grade point average.

In addition, Margo has taught continuing education courses in the area of insurance law. Further, Margo is fluent in Spanish and French.

In addition, Margo has provided outstanding representation to myriad clients, including:

- *Nhut Hong Nguyen v. LM General Insurance Compnay, et. al.* - the case was dismissed by the Oklahoma County District Court.
- *James Perry v. Safeco Insurance Company of America*—summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma.
- *David Edens et al. v. Netherlands Ins. Co.*—summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma and upheld by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. The United States Supreme Court denied certiorari.
- *Rhoda McHenry v. CoxCom, LLC d/b/a Cox Communications Tulsa*—summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma.

- *Carissa Nealis v. CoxCom, LLC*—summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma and upheld by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- *Kutrell Barnes v. CoxCom, LLC d/b/a Cox Communications*—summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma.
- *Mark Palzer v. Cox Oklahoma Telcom, LLC et al.* - summary judgment was granted by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma and upheld by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.

In 2025, Margo moved from a shareholder role to an "of counsel" position in order to become an Assistant Professor of Legal Writing at her alma mater, the University of Tulsa College of Law.

Practices

Litigation

- Complex Commercial Issues
- Insurance Law & Tort Defense

Education

- University of Tulsa College of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2014)
- John Brown University (B.S. in Political Science and Spanish , 2011)

Admissions

- Oklahoma (2014)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

Experience

- 2017-Present Hall Estill
- 2014 - Extern, U.S. Magistrate Judge Paul Cleary, Northern District of Oklahoma
- 2014-2017 Newton, O'Connor, Turner & Ketchum

Honors & Awards

- Recipient of the 2021 Elizabeth Hocker Award for her service to Tulsa Lawyers for Children
- Named the 2018 Outstanding Junior Alumna by the University of Tulsa College of Law Alumni Association
- Recognized as a Best Lawyers: One to Watch in Commercial Litigation
- Recognized as a Rising Star in Oklahoma in Civil Litigation: Defense by Super Lawyers

- Named to the 2023 Journal Record Young Legal Professionals Power List

Community & Professional Involvement

- Member, Leadership Tulsa Class 64
- Member, Board of Directors, Tulsa Boys' Home
- International Justice Mission Oklahoma Advocacy Coordinator (2019)
- Member, Board of Directors, Growing Kidz Child Development Center
- Member, Board of Directors & Secretary, Board Development Committee, Tulsa Lawyers for Children
- Member, Tulsa County Bar Association
- Member, Oklahoma County Bar Association
- Member, Council Oak/Johnson-Sontag Chamber, American Inns of Court

Foreign Languages

- Fluent in Spanish
- Fluent in French