



DEBRA L. SPINELLI, MANAGING PARTNER
Commercial Litigation

EDUCATION:

- American University, Washington, DC, B.A., International Studies, 1997
- New York University, M.A., Latin American & Caribbean Studies/Politics, 2002
- American University, Washington College of Law, J.D. magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, 2005

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS:

- Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation
- Best Lawyers in America, Construction Litigation
- Best Lawyers in America, Health Care Litigation
- Mountain States Super Lawyers – Top 100 Attorneys
- Mountain States Super Lawyers – Top 50 Women
- Martindale-Hubbell, AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating
- Vegas Inc., 40 Under 40
- Nevada Business Magazine – Legal Elite
- Legal Aid Center for Southern Nevada, 50+ Hours of Pro Bono Service, 2018
- Legal Aid Center for Southern Nevada, 100+ Hours of Pro Bono Service, 2019
- Legal Aid Center for Southern Nevada, Volunteer of the Month, July 2019

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- American Bar Association
- Clark County Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- State Bar of Nevada
- Member, Fee Dispute Committee, State Bar of Nevada, 2019-present

BAR AND COURT ADMISSION:

- Nevada
- New York
- U.S. District Court, District of Nevada
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- Member, Advisory Board of The Smith Center for the Performing Arts, April 2013 - April 2017

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Ms. Spinelli has been in practice with the firm since its inception in May of 2010, and has worked with Jim Pisanelli and Todd Bice since her legal career began.

Ms. Spinelli's practice focuses primarily on complex commercial disputes in both state and federal court. Her cases range from business fraud to breach of contract, and touch upon areas of Nevada, U.S., and international law. As such, she provides advice to clients across various industries and is an integral part of nearly all of the firm's high-profile cases.

During law school, Ms. Spinelli was a member of the American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy & the Law. She also served as a law clerk for the Prince George's County Public Defender's Office. Ms. Spinelli was a team leader/member of the UNROW international human rights clinic, which litigated two complex international human rights cases before the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. To cap off her law school career, Ms. Spinelli worked as a part of the criminal defense trial team in a high-profile federal terrorism case before the Southern District of New York, *United States v. Lynne Stewart*.

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