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### Areas of Practice

Commercial & Complex Litigation

### Bar Admissions

U.S. District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York

New York State

### Education

J.D., New York Law School, *cum laude*, June 2012

B.A., Whitman College, *cum laude*, History with Honors, May 2006

Study Abroad: Oxford University, St. Catherine's College, 20th Century British Political History

### HONORS:

*New York Law School Law Review*, Editor in Chief

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### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Sarah Ferguson is an associate with the firm's litigation department where her practice focuses on complex commercial litigation and white-collar defense. Ms. Ferguson has represented clients in a variety of industries, including aerospace, energy, financial services, and pharmaceutical companies in both state and federal courts. She has extensive experience handling all phases of litigation from court appearances to managing large case teams, drafting dispositive motions, and conducting depositions. Ms. Ferguson is also committed to serving the Reno community and to that end has an active *pro bono* practice.

Prior to joining McDonald Carano, Ms. Ferguson served as a law clerk of the Hon. Howard D. McKibben of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada. She also worked as an associate at Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler in New York City.

### REPRESENTATIVE ENGAGEMENTS

#### *Business Litigation*

- Representation of Nevada energy firm in a breach-of-contract appeal before Civilian Board of Contract Appeals.
- Representation of financial guaranty insurer in prosecuting breach-of-contract and fraudulent inducement case involving mortgage-backed securities.
- Defense of law firm and attorney against malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty claims stemming from a multi-year litigation over a call option, culminating in settlement.
- Defense of aircraft manufacturer in breach of contract and trade secrets action, culminating in settlement.

#### *White Collar*

- Representation of multiple employees of large financial institution in internal investigation into OSHA complaint and related whistleblower allegations.
- Representation of multiple employees of large financial institution under investigation by DOJ related to foreign exchange practices.

#### *Pro Bono*

- Successful resolution of custody dispute and child's name change.
- Representing over 90 former tenants in suit against landlord for property damage caused by a fire.
- Advising non-profit on employment matters.

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## **ATTORNEY NEWS**

- “First Department Adds Two New Factors to New York’s Standard of Review for Non-Monetary Settlements of Shareholder Class Actions,” *Bloomberg Law*, March 1, 2017.
- “A New Tool for Obtaining Jurisdiction in New York Courts,” *Law360*, February 2, 2017.

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