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OVERVIEW

Serena represents clients across the transportation and international trade sectors. Her practice spans maritime law, international trade law, and broader transportation issues.

Serena assists shippers, carriers, brokers, truckers, intermediaries, and all other stakeholders across the logistics and supply chain ecosystem. She handles issues involving cargo movement and multimodal coordination across domestic and international networks.

As a former Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) attorney, Serena brings deep insight into FMC regulations, licensing, and enforcement. She handles detention and demurrage issues and applies the Shipping Act and Ocean Shipping Reform Act to protect her clients' interests. She also counsels on international trade regulations and tariff issues, helping clients navigate the complex intersection of transportation and trade policy.

Before joining Husch Blackwell, Serena litigated precedential cases with millions of dollars at stake as a trial attorney at the FMC. She also clerked at the U.S. Court of International Trade, gaining insight into how trade policy affects the nation's imported goods. Earlier in her career, she clerked in Sitka, Alaska, and worked as a cheesemonger—experiences that underscored the critical role shipping plays in international trade.

At Husch Blackwell, Serena is part of the International Trade & Supply Chain team, where she contributes to a full-service practice

Industry

Transportation

Services

Customs
Evasion & Circumvention
Export Controls & Economic Sanctions
Intermediaries
International Trade & Supply Chain
Maritime & Ocean Law
Supply Chain Logistics
Warehousing & Ports

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supporting clients in transportation, logistics, warehousing, and global trade. Known for her clarity and practical approach, Serena helps businesses resolve complex legal challenges and move forward with confidence.

Experience

- On behalf of the government, litigated proceedings involving multiple ocean transportation industry stakeholders e.g. shippers, vessel operators, motor carriers etc., resulting in multi-million-dollar civil penalties.
- Defended Federal Maritime Commission decisions and actions regarding licensing revocations or rejections.
- Advised on Federal Maritime Commission rule makings, investigation strategies, and regulatory compliance.

Education

- National Institute for Trial Advocacy
- J.D., Vermont Law School
    - *Vermont Law Review*
- B.A., American University

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Admissions

- Alaska
- New York
- U.S. Court of International Trade
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, District of Alaska

Application to practice in the District of Columbia pending; practice limited pursuant to D.C. App R. 49(c)(8), with supervision by Cortney Morgan, member of the D.C. Bar.

Clerkships

- Honorable Michael Jude Pate, Alaska Trial Court
- Honorable Jennifer Choe-Groves, Court of International Trade

Community Leadership

Serena volunteers with the Asian Pacific American Bar Association Education Fund, where she is a former board member. The organization provides scholarships for first generation and public interest law students and hosts mentorship events. Serena is also an active part of the philanthropy arm of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of DC.

She also volunteers with various community garden initiatives, as well as DC Central Kitchen.



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