

## SHANNON L. GUSTAFSON

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Since joining the firm in 2004, Ms. Shannon Gustafson's primary practice has been in the defense of governmental entities, regarding a variety of allegations, including general torts, civil rights, police liability, employment matters and dangerous condition of public property in both the state and federal courts in California. She has been co-counsel in several cases that have gone to verdict, as well as worked on numerous other cases that have been dismissed either through a Motion to Dismiss or Summary Judgment. Ms. Gustafson has also worked on numerous appellate briefs and has argued before both the California Court of Appeals and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. In addition to trial work and appellate practice, Ms. Gustafson also has extensive experience mediating and negotiating settlements where appropriate. Ms. Gustafson has presented training to her public entity clients on various police liability and employment related issues.



When not working, Ms. Gustafson enjoys softball, volleyball, traveling, and cooking

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## GENERAL

### Position at L&W

- Partner

### Practice Areas

- Appellate Practice
- Civil Rights
- Labor and Employment

- General Torts
  - Police Liability Defense
  - Premises Liability
  - Public Entity Defense
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## **EDUCATION**

### **Legal**

- Juris Doctor
- University of California, Los Angeles
- 2003

### **Undergraduate**

- B.A. , Double Major in History and Political Science, magna cum laude
  - University of California, San Diego
  - 2000
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## **PROFESSIONAL**

### **Bar Affiliations**

- State Bar of California, 2003
- U.S. Court of Appeal for the Ninth Circuit, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Central District California, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California, 2003
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California, 2003

### **Professional Affiliations**

- Southern California Defense Counsel

### **Seminars**

- Police Liability Issues
  - Procedural Safety Officer's Bill of Rights (POBRA)
  - Employment Law Updates
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## **NOTABLE**

### **Awards**

- 2012 - 2018 "Rising Star"- Super Lawyers Magazine