



# Rachel A Smith

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Rachel Smith is from Westlake, Louisiana. She graduated summa cum laude from McNeese State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications. Smith received her Juris Doctor from Louisiana State University Paul M. Herbert Law School. While in law school she was on the Moot Court Competition Team.

Rachel has been married to her husband, a New Orleans native, for ten years. She has fallen in love with the city and it translates into her law career. Rachel strives to understand and appreciate her clients' perspectives and needs, and places those considerations first in the course of any representation. Rachel handles federal, state, and arbitration litigation, conducts internal corporate client investigations, and handles Homeland Security defense matters for clients.

Rachel's most notable case has been Cargill Inc. v. Brett Anthony Clark, et al. Civil Action, No. 14-00 233, in which she won summary judgment on piercing the corporate veil against the defendant who had breached a grain commodity contract and then attempted to hide behind the corporate guise of newly formed corporate entities to avoid collection efforts.

## Areas of Practice

- Commercial General Liability
- Insurance Coverage Disputes
- Employment and Labor
- State Workers' Compensation
- United States Longshore Harbor Workers Compensation Act
- Jones Act
- Professional Liability
- General Civil Business Litigation
- Personal and Commercial Auto Liability
- Premises and Security Liability
- Retail and Restaurant Liability
- UM and Bad Faith Liability

## Professional Affiliations

Rachel has been named Chairperson of the Year for her work as Editor of Southwest Louisiana Bar Association newsletter.