

# Meghan K. Casey



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Meghan chairs Gallagher's Litigation Practice Group. She has extensive experience representing individuals, educational institutions, non-profit and religious organizations, and commercial entities in high-stakes litigation in federal and state courts and administrative proceedings. Her practice includes the litigation, mediation, and appeals of disputes involving First Amendment claims, civil rights, estates and trusts, and business torts.

An experienced investigator, Meghan has led numerous confidential internal investigations and counseled clients in responding to investigations led by the Maryland Attorney General and the U.S. Department of Justice.

As a member of the firm's Education Practice, Meghan also regularly advises colleges and universities in matters before the Maryland Higher Education Commission. Clients praise Meghan for her commitment to client service and her ability to help them navigate difficult matters.

Meghan joined the firm following several years of government service, first as Deputy Legal Counsel in the Maryland Governor's Office, and then as an Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Litigation Division of the Maryland Attorney General's Office.

After graduating from law school, Meghan served as a law clerk to the Honorable J. Frederick Motz, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland and the Honorable Norman H. Stahl,

U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Before attending law school, Meghan served as a Teach for America Corps Member in Houston, Texas, where she worked as an elementary school teacher and was named Teacher of the Year for her school in 2004.

Meghan serves as the co-chair of Gallagher's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and previously served as a member of the firm's Executive Committee. She is recognized by BestLawyers®, was honored as one of 2019's "Leading Women" by The Daily Record, and was named to The Daily Record's 2024 listing of Maryland's Top 100 Women. In 2024, Meghan was elected as a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

#### Civic and Charitable Service

- Baltimore Design School, Board of Trustees (2019- present), Secretary (2022-2024)
- Marion Burk Knott Scholarship Fund Committee (2020-present)
- CLIA, Board of Directors (2021-present)
- Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies (ICJS), Board of Trustees (2021-present), Secretary (2023-present)
- Judicial Compensation Commission (2021-present)
- Baltimore Courthouse and Law Museum Foundation, Board of Directors (2021-2024)

# Background

#### Area(s) of Practice

- Litigation
- Education
- First Amendment Litigation
- Investigations

#### **Court Admission**

- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia

#### **Bar Admissions**

- Maryland
- District of Columbia
- New York

### Education

- University of Virginia School of Law, JD, Order of the Coif; Eppa Hunton IV
  Memorial Book Award, for excellence in litigation and professional responsibility,
  2008
- Yale University, BA, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, 2002

## Bar and Professional Memberships

- Federal Bar Association Maryland Chapter
- Maryland State Bar Association
- Bar Association of Baltimore City
- Lawyers' Round Table
- Riveters Law Club

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