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PRACTICE EMPHASIS

- Appeals
- Class Actions
- Consumer Protection
- Employee Benefits and Retirement Security
- Employment Law
- Fiduciary Breach
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Intellectual Property Counseling
- Securities

EDUCATION

Amherst College

B.A., magna cum laude,
Phi Beta Kappa

Columbia Law School

J.D.

Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar
Executive Articles Editor,
Columbia Human Rights Law
Review

Paul Bernstein Scholarship
Recipient

Karin Swope is focused on client success. As a member of the firm's nationally recognized Complex Litigation Group, Karin represents clients in intellectual property litigation and counseling, consumer protection law, ERISA law, antitrust and securities litigation, with a particular emphasis in federal court litigation. Ms. Swope has represented clients for over 20 years in proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as well as in state and federal courts across the country. She has represented companies and sovereign nations in protecting their intellectual property rights. She has protected the retirement funds of employees whose employers had breached their fiduciary duties in violation of ERISA, in cases against Washington Mutual, State Street Bank and Regions Financial Corporation, among others. She has helped consumers fight against unfair and deceptive practices, and has helped to change consumer protection law in the process. She has also represented shareholders in complex securities litigation.

Following her graduation from Columbia Law School, Karin served as a law clerk to the Honorable John C. Coughenour in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, and as a law clerk to the Honorable Robert E. Cowen of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit. She has been an Adjunct Professor of Intellectual Property Law at Seattle University School of Law since 2008, and is a member of IP Inn of Court.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- 1994, Washington
- 1997, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington
- 1997, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- 2006, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
- 2006, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
- 2007, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- 2009, Western District of Tennessee
- 2010, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- 2010, U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- 2010, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- 2010, U.S. Supreme Court
- 2015, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law,
Intellectual Property Law

Member of the Washington State Bar Association
Executive Committee, Intellectual Property Section, and
Chair of the Nominating Committee

Intellectual Property Inn of Court, *Member*

National Employment Lawyers Association, *ERISA Amicus
Committee Member and Amicus Brief Writer*

ABA Tort, Trial and Insurance Law Journal, *Associate Editor*

Washington State Bar Association, *Member*

American Bar Association, *Member*, Tort Trial & Insurance
Practice and Intellectual Property sections

King County Bar Association, *Member*, Intellectual Property
section

HONORS & AWARDS

Selected to Rising Stars and Super Lawyers lists in *Super
Lawyers - Washington*

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Speaker, Federal Court Practice Bootcamp, 2011,2012

Speaker, National Employment Lawyers Association
Annual Convention, Atlanta, GA, ERISA Hot Topics, 2008.

Co-Chair and Speaker, WSBA CLE, IP For the Rest of Us,
2007-2009.

Speaker, WSBA CLE, 11th Annual Intellectual Property
Institute, The Year in Trademark Law, 2006.

Speaker, King County Bar Association CLE, Electronic
Discovery, 2006.

Speaker, WSBA CLE, Hot Trends in Intellectual Property
Damages, 2005.

Karin B. Swope, 5K2.0 Departures: A Backdoor out of the
Federal Sentencing Guidelines, 24 Colum. Hum. Rts. L. Rev.
135 (1993).

Executive Articles Editor, Columbia Human Rights Law
Review, 1992-1993.