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Liz advises clients on complex commercial, appellate, and constitutional matters, bringing firsthand experience at the highest levels of state government.

Liz is a nationally recognized appellate and constitutional attorney. Before joining Dorsey, Liz served as Minnesota Solicitor General for two terms, leading the state's appellate and constitutional litigation and securing several of Minnesota's landmark decisions. For example, she successfully defended health and safety executive orders during the COVID 19 pandemic. Liz also led the Minnesota Supreme Court case that resolved a constitutional crisis arising from a tied Minnesota Legislature and built and led the Rule of Law division at the Attorney General's Office, overseeing nearly 70 cases challenging federal executive overreach.

Before entering public service, Liz represented clients in commercial litigation and construction disputes. She also gained deep experience in arbitration law while at a Minneapolis law firm for 15 years.

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of the United States
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit

Professional Affiliations

- Fellow, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers
- Member, Minnesota Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Appellate Civil Procedure

Education

- Yale Law School (J.D., 2002)
- Mount Holyoke College (B.A., Political Science and Economics)

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

- Board Member, Minnesota Supreme Court Historical Society
- Co-Founder, Appeals Self-Help Clinic
- Former Chair, Minnesota State Bar, Appellate Section
- Member, American Arbitration Association, 2015-2019

Clerkships

- Minnesota Supreme Court, Justice Helen M. Meyer, 2002–2003

Accolades

- *Minnesota Lawyer*, Lawyer of the Year, 2016, 2020 (x3), 2025
- *Minnesota Lawyer*, “Top Women in Law,” 2024
- *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal*, “40 Under 40”, 2014

Select Presentations

- Co-author, “Women Argue More at the Supreme Court but Parity Remains Distant” (2026)
- Author, “MEMA Matures: Minnesota Emergency Law Post-COVID,” Mitchell Hamline Law Review (2024)
- Co-author, “A Gender Reveal: Who’s Arguing at the Minnesota Supreme Court?,” *Minnesota Lawyer* (2020)
- Author, “Initiating Appeals From District Court Decisions,” Eighth Circuit Appellate Practice Manual, MinnCLE

Insights

October 14, 2026

The Supreme Court Update - October 14, 2026

October 8, 2026

The Supreme Court Update - October 8, 2026

September 9, 2026

Former Minnesota Solicitor General Joins Dorsey & Whitney

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