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## education

Tulane University Law School (J.D., 2016)

- *Certificate in Civil Law; Managing Editor, International and Comparative Law Journal, 2015-2016*

Texas A&M University (B.S., Psychology, 2013, *summa cum laude*)

## admissions

Louisiana

Texas

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana

## affiliations

### Professional:

- American Bar Association Young Lawyers
- Louisiana State Bar Association Young Lawyers Section
- Federal Bar Association's New Orleans Chapter Young Lawyers Division
- Tulane Inn of Court

**I never shy away from a challenge – in fact, the more complex an issue, the more I enjoy it. My favorite aspect of legal work is the opportunity litigation presents to collaborate with colleagues, clients, and experts to identify unique solutions to difficult problems. An attorney can never know everything, and the regulatory and judicial framework are constantly evolving. I take any opportunity to dig in and research the concepts and history at play in every new case.**

Kathleen J. “Katie” Brien is a trial attorney with experience managing cases along every step of the litigation path, from inception and opening to post-trial briefings and appeal. Katie’s practice is broad, supporting clients in industries spanning manufacturing, construction, energy, retail, and transportation, among others. She’s been responsible for day-to-day management of matters including breach of contract, products and premises liability, asbestos, and toxic torts, handling everything from depositions to discovery and motion practice.

Through her significant courtroom experience, Katie has worked with clients, fact witnesses, experts, and jury consultants, thriving on the collaborative environment that litigation affords. One of her proudest accomplishments was assisting in the defense of a major Fortune 500 corporation in

a four-week trial in which her client was found not liable for the plaintiff's death from mesothelioma. While in law school, Katie clerked for the Hon. Joy Lobrano in the Louisiana Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal.

Clients appreciate that Katie immerses herself in the issues at hand in her matters to understand the problem from every angle. She prides herself on being a team player and her ability to work well with colleagues to develop and implement effective trial strategies. She's achieved experience beyond her years and her knowledge of building and working cases from the matter opening through resolution, settlement, trial, post-trial, and on appeal benefits her clients tremendously.