

# Sarah McMillan



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## education

University of Aberdeen, Scotland, School of Law  
(Dip.L.P., 2002)

Tulane University Law School (LL.M.,  
International and Comparative Law, 2001, with  
Distinction)

University of Aberdeen, Scotland, School of Law  
(LL.B. with Honors, 2000, with Honors)

## admissions

Louisiana

New York

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

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

## honors

- *The Best Lawyers in America*® (Product Liability Litigation – Defendants), 2023 – present

I recognize that each client and their goals are different, so I tailor my approach in each case accordingly. Clients depend on me to be responsible and accessible as we navigate their matters with creative, resolution-focused legal strategy.

As a multidisciplinary litigator, Sarah McMillan represents regional, national, and international clients in matters relating to products liability, toxic torts, construction, and insurance defense. Sarah helps clients and their insurers to assess and mitigate risks and vigorously defend them, when necessary. With experience in mass-tort and single-plaintiff matters, she has successfully used many strategies, including motion practice, to resolve disputes.

**Products Liability Defense.** In the products liability defense arena, Sarah represents manufacturers in a variety of industries including:

- Automotive products liability for major international automobile manufacturers and automobile parts manufacturers

- Faculty of Advocates/Williamson Orr Prize for Best Dissertation, University of Aberdeen School of Law
- Legal Defense Union Prize for Professional Ethics, University of Aberdeen School of Law
- Law Society of Scotland Prize for Best Diploma Student, University of Aberdeen School of Law

## affiliations

### Professional

- Louisiana State Bar Association
- Associate of the London College of Music (Speech and Drama)
- Science and Technology Law Section of the ABA; *The SciTech Lawyer*, Editorial Board; Book Publishing Board, Member; International & Domestic Policy Advisory Group, Member
- Kohlmeyer Circle of the Ogden Museum of Southern Art, Member; “Magnolia Ball” fundraising event committee member
- Bridge House/Grace House, Former “Recycled Fashion Show” Organizing Committee Member
- Women’s Center for Healing and Transformation, Abita Springs, Former Board Member
- New York Bar Association

- Pharmaceuticals
- Medical devices, including pacemakers, gynecological devices, and chemotherapy devices
- Consumer products, from coffee makers to home fragrance items

**Construction Litigation.** Sarah has experience litigating public and private construction disputes in Louisiana. She represents owners, contractors, sub-contractors, designers, and architects on general liability matters both directly and through their insurers in a variety of matters. She also represents surety companies and national contractors in construction disputes regarding federal projects.

**Asbestos and Toxic Torts.** As a member of the firm’s Asbestos and Toxic Torts Group, Sarah has experience defending manufacturers that include construction, engineering, service companies, and other clients against claims for personal injury involving asbestos, chemicals, and mold.

**Insurance Defense.** Sarah represents a variety of insurers and insurance brokers in litigation involving personal injury, toxic torts, property damage, and coverage disputes.

**Professional Liability Defense.** Sarah has served a variety of clients in Louisiana in the defense of malpractice claims, including wetlands delineations and land surveys, mold investigations and remediation, and other environmental matters.

Sarah is an Honorary Research Faculty Member at the University of Aberdeen School of Law, where she was formerly a faculty member. While on Aberdeen’s faculty, Sarah was a visiting professor at the University of Baltimore School of Law and University of Maryland School of Law. With a continuing interest in legal education, she has been involved with Tulane Law School’s Civil Litigation Boot Camp Intersession program since its inauguration.

## Representative Experience

- Defends automotive industry clients in products liability and warranty litigation.

- Defends consumer products manufacturers in products liability litigation.
- Represents clients in litigation relating to environmental exposure and mesothelioma claims.
- Defends clients in professional liability claims, including mold exposure, remediation, a investigations, land surveys, and wetlands delineation.