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Josie is a shareholder in the Casualty Department where she focuses her practice on personal injury, premises liability, product liability, retail liability, restaurant/bar liability, dram shop/liquor liability, automobile negligence, construction liability, and insurance coverage.

Prior to joining Marshall Dennehey, Josie served as a civil law clerk to the Honorable Thomas R. Vena. In this role, Josie was responsible for researching and writing memoranda for prerogative writs, orders to show cause, all summary judgment motions and motions with complex legal issues involving contracts, personal injury, medical malpractice and employment discrimination.

Josie received her *juris doctor* from Temple University Beasley School of Law in 2009. At Temple, she was a member the Rubin Public Interest Law Society and President of the Student Bar Association during her final year. Josie earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in 2005 from Lafayette College with a double major in english and government and law, graduating *summa cum laude* and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. While in college, Josie was nominated by a member of the faculty to participate in the Excel Scholar program. There she had the distinct honor of co-authoring a book chapter on eyewitness confidence and accuracy for *The Handbook of Eyewitness Psychology*.

Josie has devoted time and resources to nonprofit work, focusing on homelessness and immigration rights. As a legal intern for the Nationalities Service Center, she spent her time representing clients with asylum petitions. At the Homeless Advocacy Project, she represented clients with social security disability benefit matters and conducted legal clinics at shelters on topics such as social security and veteran's benefits, identification, and child custody and support.

Josie is admitted to practice in the states of New Jersey and New York.

Practices

- General Liability
- Hospitality & Liquor Liability
- Maritime Litigation
- Product Liability

Education

- Temple University Beasley School of Law (J.D., 2009)
- Lafayette College (B.S., *summa cum laude*, 2005)

Admissions

- New Jersey, 2009
- New York, 2009

Honors & Awards

- The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch®, Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants; Product Liability Litigation - Defendants (2021-2024)

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Published Works

- “How Do You Define Success? Four Women Lawyers Share Their Thoughts,” *The Legal Intelligencer*, October 15, 2024
- “Emerging Liability Theory Provides New Defense for Premises Cases – The Ongoing Storm Doctrine,” *Defense Digest*, Vol. 25, No. 3, September 2019

Thought Leadership

January 1, 2026

Trespasser Status Bars Recovery in Premises Liability Claim: Appellate Division Affirms Summary Judgment for Defendants

October 1, 2025

New Jersey Supreme Court Holds One-Year Statute of Limitations for Defamation Also Applies to False Light Claims

July 1, 2025

NJ Court Rules Lack of Optional Driver-Assistance Tech Does Not Constitute Design Defect Under Products Liability Law

October 15, 2024

How Do You Define Success? Four Women Lawyers Share Their Thoughts

October 1, 2024

NJ Supreme Court Affirms Appellate Court that Conditions Placed on Defense Medical Examination Are Determined on Cast-by-Case Basis by Trial Court.

October 1, 2023

Settlement Agreements at Mediation Must Be Put in Writing and Signed to Be

Enforceable