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Susan focuses her practice on the defense of physicians, nurses, health care providers, and medical facilities in medical malpractice claims.

Prior to joining the firm, Susan completed an extended clerkship with the Honorable Kathleen A. Sheedy, J.S.C. in the Monmouth County Superior Court. In this role, Susan assisted with managing a high-volume docket, which encompassed nearly all of the medical malpractice cases in addition to 13 civil dockets. Susan managed the bi-weekly motion calendar, conducted extensive legal research on a variety of civil matters, assisted in drafting bench opinions, and drafted statements of reasons for nearly every motion before the Court. She also participated in the small claims mediation program as a facilitator, furthering her dispute resolution skills. Throughout her clerkship, Susan gained extensive experience with and exposure to all phases of civil litigation, including discovery disputes, motion practice and oral argument, evidentiary hearings, settlement conferences, and trial preparation.

Susan earned her juris doctorate from Rutgers Law School – Newark. While in law school, she competed as a member of the Rutgers National Appellate Advocacy Team, served as the Managing Research Editor for the Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal, and was on the Executive Board of the Student Bar Association, among other organizations. Additionally, Susan served as a Teaching Assistant for courses in Evidence and Trial Presentation and Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research Skills.

Outside of work, Susan enjoys cooking, traveling, attending sporting events, concerts, and shows, and spending time with friends and family.

Education

- Rutgers Law School (J.D., 2024)
- Teachers College, Columbia University (M.A., 2021)

Practices

- Medical Malpractice

- Elon University (B.A., *cum laude*, 2020)

Admissions

- New Jersey, 2025

Associations & Memberships

- New Jersey State Bar Association, Medical Malpractice Committee