

ATTORNEY BIOGRAPHY



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Education

JD, Georgetown University Law Center (May 2015); senior articles editor, *Georgetown Journal of Law and Modern Critical Race Perspectives*

MA, Yale University (May 2012)

BA, *summa cum laude*, Elms College (May 2010)

Bar and Court Admissions

Massachusetts

Professional/Community Affiliations

LIFT, Board of Directors, Treasurer

United Way of Central Massachusetts, Women's Initiative; Financial Literacy Committee

Massachusetts Bar Association; Young Lawyer's Division, Director-at-Large (2016-2017)

Worcester County Bar Association

Quinsigamond Community College Mentoring Program, mentor

Worcester Jewish Community Center

Practice Groups and Specialty Areas

Litigation

Business and General Litigation

Health Law Litigation

Medical Liability and Health Care Litigation

Life, Health, Disability and ERISA Litigation

Public and Municipal Law

Lauren is an associate in the Firm's Litigation and Health Law Groups. She focuses her practice on litigation involving the defense of medical malpractice claims; healthcare business issues; life, health and disability insurance benefits; and ERISA cases. She also represents companies and individuals providing strategic business and litigation advice and counseling, and represents parties in litigation before federal and state courts and administrative agencies.

Lauren was included in the 2023 edition of the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America*™ for her work in Commercial Litigation, and Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants. First listed in 2022. In 2022, Lauren graduated from the Massachusetts Bar Association Leadership Academy and she was named an "Up & Coming Lawyer" by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. In 2021 and 2022, *Boston* magazine and *Law & Politics* named Lauren a Massachusetts "Rising Star." In 2015, Lauren was awarded the International Academy of Trial Lawyers Advocacy Award for her trial advocacy on behalf of a juvenile asylum applicant before the federal immigration court. During law school, Lauren was honored with a CALI Excellence for the Future Award. Additionally, Lauren was the valedictorian of the Elms College Class of 2010, graduating *summa cum laude*.

Prior to joining Mirick O'Connell, Lauren was an Assistant District Attorney for the District Attorney's Office, Middle District, in Worcester. After law school, she clerked for The Honorable Judge Robert E. Beach at the Connecticut Appellate Court. Lauren also served as a law clerk for the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division in Washington, D.C., an intern for the United States Attorney's Office in Washington, D.C., and a judicial intern for Federal Magistrate Judges Diane M. Brenneman and Michael J. McCarthy, D.C. Superior Court. During law school, Lauren competed in the nationally ranked Trial Advocacy Division of Georgetown Law Center's Barrister's Council.

Representative Matters

- Successfully argued First Amendment case before the Massachusetts Appeals Court
- Obtained lifetime restraining order for victim of sexual assault
- Successfully defended municipality in trial of zoning appeal
- Obtained preliminary injunction on behalf of local non-profit organization

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Publications/Presentations

- “Misrepresentation in the Life, Health, and Disability Insurance Application Process: A National Survey,” 3rd Edition, American Bar Association, 2022 (contributing author)
- “[Remembering RBG: Her Life and Legacy](#),” *On Air with Mirick O’Connell* legal podcast (November 2020)
- “[Deep Dive into the Recent DACA Ruling](#),” *On Air with Mirick O’Connell* legal podcast (July 21, 2020)
- “[Analysis of the US Supreme Court Title VII Ruling](#),” *On Air with Mirick O’Connell* legal podcast (July 6, 2020)
- [Ruthless Haven: How LA Gang Culture and U.S. Immigration Policy Contribute to Racial Injustice for Central American Asylum Applicants](#), 6 GEO. J. L. & MOD. CRIT. RACE PERSP. 253, 2014; [Reaction to Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Race-Based Statelessness in the Americas](#), 6 GEO. J. L. & MOD. CRIT. RACE PERSP. 181, 2014; [Mourning Mandela—An Imperfect Tribute](#), GEO. J. L. & MOD. CRIT. RACE PERSP. BLOG, Dec. 19, 2013, <http://georgetownlawmcrp.wordpress.com>
- “Fundamentals of Managed Care” *Massachusetts Health and Hospital Law Manual*, 2020
- [Clinton v. Town of Ashby ZBA](#), presentation to Massachusetts Bar Association Animal Law Practice Group