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## Overview

**Hannah McCalla represents sophisticated clients in commercial litigation at the trial and appellate levels nationwide, with a focus on defense of insurance bad faith claims and class actions. She has experience and a history of success handling every stage of litigation.**

Prior to joining Spencer Fane, Hannah worked at a Denver-based litigation firm where she successfully represented clients in complex commercial litigation in several jurisdictions. Before that, she served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Sam E. Haddon of the U.S. District Court for the District of Montana.

## Education

- University of Montana School of Law, 2016 (J.D.), *with honors*
- University of Montana, 2012 (B.A.), *with high honors*

## Bar Admissions

- Colorado
- Montana

## Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court for the District of Montana
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

## Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*, Ones to Watch, 2022–2026
- *Colorado Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2022–2025
- National Moot Court Team, Regionals First Place
- Legal Writing Graduation Award

## Memberships

- State Bar of Montana
- Colorado Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Litigation Section

## Related Experience

### Trials

- Won a defense jury verdict in Colorado federal court against a policyholder who had sued for uninsured motorist benefits and insurance bad faith.
- Won a complete defense verdict in a five-day jury trial of underinsured motorist bad faith claims in Colorado in which the plaintiff demanded over \$1 million.
- Won a defense jury verdict in New Mexico State Court for an insurer against underinsured motorist claims brought by two plaintiffs following a car accident. The jury found in the company's favor in less than 30 minutes.

### Class Actions

- Obtained summary judgment for a large national insurance company against a putative class action involving underinsured motorist coverage in Montana.
- Defeated class certification and declaratory claims in a putative class action in Montana regarding a large national insurer's handling of claims for medical payments coverage.

### Insurance

- Won complete summary judgment in a residential property bad faith case for a large national insurer on an issue of first impression in Montana by proving the plaintiffs failed to cooperate as a matter of law.
- Secured a "walk away" dismissal of all claims in an underinsured motorist insurance lawsuit for bad faith in Colorado seeking over \$1 million in damages against the client.
- Won complete summary judgment in an insurance bad faith case for an insurer in Colorado federal court by proving the plaintiffs' failure to cooperate as a matter of law.
- Obtained favorable admissions from all of the plaintiff's medical experts at deposition to win complete summary judgment in an insurance bad faith case for an insurer in Colorado federal court.

### Appeals

- Obtained complete affirmance in the Ninth Circuit of a summary judgment dismissing residential property and bad-faith claims.
- Won affirmance in the Ninth Circuit of a summary judgment completely resolving a putative class action for a large national insurance company in Montana.