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Jessica advises clients in a variety of construction matters, including construction litigation and arbitration, prosecution of mechanic's liens, contract negotiation, and contractor licensing issues. She has successfully prosecuted and defended construction claims in litigation and arbitration.

She prioritizes frequent client interaction with a forward-thinking approach. Jessica's specialized knowledge allows her to work efficiently, and she is often praised for her responsiveness and ability to simplify complex matters.

In addition to her work within the firm, Jessica holds several leadership positions in professional and community organizations including the Downtown Community Improvement District, Missouri Asian-American Bar Association, and ABA Forum on Construction Law.

Jessica was recognized for her professional and community contributions by being named among *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America every year since 2021, *St. Louis Business Journal's* "30 Under 30," and Missouri Lawyers Media's Up & Coming class of 2019.

During law school, Jessica served as a judicial extern to Judge George W. Draper III of the Missouri Supreme Court.

Education

- Saint Louis University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2011)
- Washington University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2014)

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois
- Colorado
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri

Practices & Industries

- Construction
- Construction Litigation
- Construction Industry

- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado

Professional Affiliations

- American Arbitration Association (*Arbitrator*)
- Meritas Law Firms, Young Lawyer Advisory Board (2021-2024)
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Young Lawyers' Division (*Vice Chair, 2017-2019*)
- Missouri Asian-American Bar Association (*President, 2017-2018*)
- American Bar Association, Forum on Construction Law
- National Association of Women in Construction, Former St. Louis Chapter (*Board of Directors, Member*)

Community Involvement

- Downtown St. Louis Community Improvement District (*Board of Directors, 2023-present*)
- Regional Union Construction Center (*Advisory Board of Directors, 2019-2020*)
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri (*Big Sister, 2014-2019*)
- Girls on the Run of Greater St. Louis (*Site Liaison, 2015*)

Awards & Honors

- Ranked as one of Missouri's "Leaders in Their Field" in Construction by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business (2025; 2026)
- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Construction Law, Litigation - Construction (2026)
- Named to the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America (2021-2025)
- Up & Coming Award, Missouri Lawyers Media (2019)
- Named to the Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers, Rising Stars list, Construction Litigation (2018-2024); Super Lawyers list, Construction Litigation (2025)
- 30 Under 30 Award, *St. Louis Business Journal* (2018)
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis YLD Award of Merit (2016)
- Who's Who Diversity in Color (2015)
- Diane Yu Scholarship & Service Award, Missouri Asian-American Bar Association (2014)
- Carmody MacDonald Legal Practice Excellence Award (2012)
- ABA Forum on Construction Law Diversity Fellow

Experience

Recorded Appellate Decisions

- Represented a supplier in overcoming a motion to stay the supplier's mechanic's lien enforcement lawsuit pending the arbitration between the project's owner and general

contractor. *Shelter Products, Inc. v. OMNI Construction Company, Inc.*, 479 S.W.3d 189 (Mo. App. W.D. 2016).

News & Media

June 4, 2026

UB Greensfelder Earns Top Rankings in Chambers USA 2026 Edition

August 21, 2025

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2026 List

June 5, 2025

UB Greensfelder Expands Chambers USA Rankings with 13 Practices and 24 Attorneys Recognized in the 2025 Edition

August 15, 2024

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2025 List

November 14, 2023

Greensfelder Attorneys Named to 2023 Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers Lists

August 17, 2023

Best Lawyers 2024 Edition Lists 66 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five “Lawyers Of The Year”

February 1, 2023

Greensfelder Elevates Four Attorneys To Officer for 2023

August 18, 2022

Best Lawyers 2023 Edition Lists Over 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five St. Louis ‘Lawyers Of The Year’

August 19, 2021

Best Lawyers 2022 Edition Lists 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Three St. Louis ‘Lawyers Of The Year’