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Julia Holt represents individual and corporate policyholders in negotiations, informal disputes, arbitrations, and litigation to maximize their recovery of insurance policy proceeds. She has represented policyholders, including *Fortune* 500 companies, in numerous industries, including:

- advertising and marketing
- automotive manufacturing
- chemical manufacturing
- commercial construction
- consumer products
- energy
- entertainment and media
- financial services
- food manufacturing
- healthcare
- professional services
- public higher education
- real estate
- retail
- technology
- telecommunications

Her experience includes significant recoveries under first-party insurance policies for property damage and business interruption loss due to hurricanes and other weather-related events. In addition, she has successfully recovered proceeds for her clients under crime policies.

Julia also has recovered significant amounts from insurers for defense fees and costs, and indemnification for settlements and judgments, under third-party insurance policies, including commercial general liability, management liability, directors & officers liability, and employment practices liability, in connection with:

- U.S. Department of Justice, grand jury, and other government investigations
- lawsuits for copyright and trademark infringement, misappropriation of likeness/right of publicity, and trade disparagement
- lawsuits for class action securities fraud and breaches of fiduciary duties
- lawsuits for class action products liability
- lawsuits for class action right-of-way/trespass, class action property and environmental damage, class action toxic tort, construction defect, and significant bodily injury
- lawsuits for actuarial malpractice and professional malpractice
- lawsuits for class action predatory lending and fraud
- lawsuits for wrongful employment practices

While earning her J.D., Julia served as a law fellow in Georgetown University Law Center's Legal Research & Writing Department, and as a senior project editor for the *American Criminal Law Review*.

## Outside The Firm

Julia enjoys travel, paddleboarding, and spending time with her dogs.

## Select Engagements

- Successfully litigated and recovered millions in defense fees and costs incurred in connection with a government investigation.
- Successfully negotiated a six-figure settlement immediately after filing a coverage action for claims insurer had insisted were excluded by the policy.
- Successfully negotiated the payment of defense fees and costs, and indemnification for settlement, in connection with a wrongful employment practices lawsuit.
- Successfully negotiated a six-figure settlement under crime policies in connection with a lawsuit to recover the stolen funds.
- Successfully litigated and settled a reinsurance dispute on behalf of a captive insurance company after convincing the court that a cause of action for bad faith against a reinsurer was permissible.

## Admissions

- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- California
- U.S. District Court - Central District of California
- U.S. District Court - Northern District of California

## Education

- University of California, Los Angeles, BA
- Georgetown University Law Center, JD

## Recognitions

- 2018, "Client Service All-Star," BTI Consulting Group
- 2018, listed in *Legal 500*

## Professional Activities

Julia is actively involved in pro bono work and has completed numerous adoptions for foster children in Los Angeles County. In addition, she has represented foster parents in administrative hearings to obtain the state benefits to which they are entitled.