

EMILY C. DOWNING

ASSOCIATE



AREAS OF PRACTICE

General Liability
Automobile Liability
Premises & Retail Liability
Public Entity & Civil Rights
Litigation

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ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
2016

U.S. District Court
Western District of
Pennsylvania
2021

U.S. Court of Appeals 3rd
Circuit
2025

EDUCATION

Thomas R. Kline School of
Law of Duquesne
University (J.D., 2016)

Duquesne University
(B.A., 2013)

ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Erie County Bar
Association, Member
Young Lawyers and
Women in the Profession
Sections

YEAR JOINED

2023

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Attorneys and Kids
Together (AKT)- Erie
County Bar Association,
2016 - present

CERTIFICATION

Certified Digital Evidence
for Prosecutors, National
Computer Forensics
Institute

OVERVIEW

Emily is an associate in the Casualty Department, where she focuses her practice on general liability, motor vehicle liability, premises liability, and municipal liability. Given her background as a criminal prosecutor, she also handles civil rights and municipality cases involving prisons, police departments, police officers, and municipalities.

The majority of her career was spent in the courtroom. She brings to the firm several years of trial experience from her time as a criminal prosecutor in the Erie County District Attorney's Office, where she was the lead prosecutor of homicide by vehicle cases and tried dozens of complex cases involving violent crimes. Before moving to Erie, Emily worked as a law clerk for the Honorable Mark D. Stevens of the Crawford County Court of Common Pleas, upon graduation from Duquesne University School of Law in 2016. She double majored in Political Science and Rhetorical Studies and received her bachelor's degree from Duquesne University in 2013.

Emily is currently admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.