

INDUSTRIES & PRACTICES

Employment, Trade Secret & Non-Compete Counseling & Litigation

Class Actions

Contract Disputes BAR ADMISSIONS &

ASSOCIATIONS

Member of the Bar, State of Michigan

Member of the Bar, State of Massachusetts

Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association

Federal Bar Association for the Eastern

District of Michigan

EDUCATION

Northeastern University School of Law – Juris Doctor

Sarah Lawrence College – Bachelor of Arts



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Rebecca Waisanen joined HHBJ Law in the fall of 2016. Rebecca practiced law in Boston before returning to Michigan to clerk for the Honorable Victoria A. Roberts of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. Rebecca's practice focuses on business and employment litigation including the protection of trade secrets, workplace discrimination, contract disputes and class actions. In addition, Rebecca represents and provides counseling to health insurance companies in disputes over available coverage with members, providers, and no-fault auto-insurance companies.

EXPERIENCE

Prior to clerking, Rebecca was an Associate at an employment law firm in Boston where she was hired to focus primarily on a hotly litigated trade secret matter and the preparation and trial of a breach of contract case involving sales commissions. Rebecca also assisted with additional labor and employment issues including the Family and Medical Leave Act and workplace discrimination.

Rebecca earned her law degree from Northeastern University School of Law where she was a member of the *Northeastern University Law Journal*. During law school, she completed judicial internships in both state and federal court. She created a special independent study project with a national law firm and her employment law professor to gain a deeper understanding of employment discrimination claims. She continued to focus on employment law through additional internships at a Boston firm and Greater Boston legal Services.

Originally from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Rebecca worked in the insurance industry and at the Harvard College Fund prior to law school.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

In Detroit, Rebecca is a member of the Detroit Bar Association and the Federal Bar Association for the Eastern District of Michigan. She is also an active member of the Downtown Synagogue where she serves on several committees. She enjoys coordinating with local and outside organizations to fund educational and social programming for young professionals in downtown Detroit.

While in Boston, Rebecca was a member of the Boston Bar Association and the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts (WBA). As a WBA committee member, Rebecca helped plan the WBA Gala, an annual fundraiser supporting the continuance of the WBA. Rebecca volunteered as an attorney in the Unemployment Division of Greater Boston Legal Services where she assisted low-income clients. An alumna of Sarah Lawrence College, Rebecca maintains a strong relationship with the college and was the Co-Chair of her Reunion Committee.