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Sara's practice focuses on business and commercial litigation, and personal injury torts. She has represented and counseled clients in a wide range of pending or threatened disputes in state and federal courts, and in mediations. Sara has extensive experience with complex commercial disputes, real estate litigation, business torts, and shareholder/partner/member disputes. Sara also has substantial experience with employment issues, construction-related disputes, civil rights matters, and appellate advocacy.

As general counsel to chapter 7 bankruptcy trustees, Sara has pursued preferential and fraudulent transfers on behalf of bankruptcy estates. She has also represented creditors' rights in bankruptcy matters.

Prior to joining Thorpe Shwer, Sara was a Partner at Witthoft Derksen and at Zwillinger Greek Knecht & Gibson, PC. Before entering private practice, Sara served as a law clerk to the Honorable James B. Sult (Ret.) of the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division I.

Related Practice Areas

- [Business and Commercial Litigation](#)
- [Financial Services](#)
- [Commercial Real Estate](#)
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- [Appellate Litigation](#)
- [Employment Litigation](#)
- [Tort Defense](#)

Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona
- Arizona Supreme Court

Professional Affiliations

- Arizona Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, Barrister
- Arizona State Bar, Member
- Maricopa County Bar Association, Bankruptcy Section Board Member
- Arizona Women Lawyer's Association, Member
- Federal Bar Association, Member

Representative Cases

- *Brillard v. Maricopa County, et al.*, 224 Ariz. 481, 232 P.3d 1263 (Ct. App. 2010)
- *ABCDW LLC v. Banning*, 241 Ariz. 427, 388 P.3d 821 (Ct. App. 2016)

Community Activities

- Central United Methodist Church, Board of Trustees, 2013 to 2015
- Team in Training, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 2013 to 2016

Education

- The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, J.D.
 - Senior Managing Editor, *Arizona Journal of International & Comparative Law*
- The University of Arizona, College of Agriculture, School of Family & Consumer Science, M.S., *Summa cum Laude*
- Pepperdine University, B.A. in Psychology, *Magna cum Laude*