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Alexandra Schultz joined Cozen O'Connor in 2017 and practices in the Global Insurance Department. She regularly represents carriers in coverage disputes and advises insurers on policy interpretation, claims handling, and bad faith.

Alexandra graduated *magna cum laude* from The George Washington University and earned her law degree from Tulane University Law School. While in law school, Alexandra held the position of senior articles editor of the *Tulane Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property*, and her comment, *Looks Can Be Deceiving: Aesthetic Functionality in Louboutin and Beyond*, was selected for publication in Volume 15 of the journal. She also served as a judicial extern to the Honorable Lance Africk and the Honorable Sarah Vance at the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Prior to joining Cozen O'Connor, Alexandra practiced at a large insurance defense firm in West Palm Beach, Fla., where she handled professional liability, § 1983 litigation and personal injury defense cases in state and federal courts and also advised and defended insurers in coverage matters.

Previously, Alexandra practiced insurance defense and general litigation in Louisiana. Alexandra is admitted to the Florida and Louisiana state bars.

Experience

Secured summary judgment in a professional liability coverage dispute in which the court ruled that our client had no duty to defend or indemnify a man who pretended to be a licensed mental health counselor and was sued when one of his clients died by suicide. This win was affirmed by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court denied the plaintiff's petition for certiorari.

Won summary judgment in a case filed against our professional liability carrier client to enforce an arbitration award under which the client faced exposure of more than \$3 million. In granting summary judgment, the court found that the client had no duty to defend or indemnify the plaintiff insurance agency in light of both an insured v. insured exclusion in the policy and the agency owner's prior knowledge of the facts underlying the claim, which rendered it untimely reported.

Practice Areas

- Insurance Coverage
- Property Insurance

Education

- Tulane University Law School, J.D., 2013
- The George Washington University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2008

Bar Admissions

- Louisiana
- Florida

Awards & Honors

- Best Lawyers in America "Ones to Watch" 2021

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