

### Diea D. Schum

Senior Counsel

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### **Practice Areas**

- Litigation
- Real Estate
- Construction

### **Overview**

Diea Schum joined Donahue Fitzgerald in 2021 and currently focuses her practice on complex commercial litigation, real estate, and construction matters. As a member of the Litigation Practice Group, Diea handles all phases of the litigation process, including appellate practice. Diea is an effective litigator who is not afraid to tackle the most complicated legal issues and tailors her approach to each client based on their objectives.

Prior to joining the firm, Diea was an attorney in Florida handling commercial litigation matters for Fortune 500 companies, partnership and/or corporation breakups, contract disputes, intellectual property issues, and other business disputes. Diea began her legal career as a law extern to multiple judges at the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Court in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Outside the office, Diea is an avid traveler and even spent time studying law at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia and the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand. She has volunteered as the mock trial coach for the local high school and enjoys being an active member in her community.

# **Professional & Community Affiliations**



- Member, Real Property Law Section, State Bar of California
- Member, Litigation, State Bar of California
- Member, Women Lawyers of Alameda County

## Recognition

- The Top Women Leaders in Law for 2024, Women We Admire, 2024
- The Top 50 Women Leaders in Law, Women We Admire, 2023

### **Bar Admissions**

- California
- Florida

#### **Courts**

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida

### **Education**

- JD, Western Michigan University Cooley Law School, with honors, 2006
  - O Distinguished Student Award for the Fitzgerald Class 2006
  - <sup>o</sup> Thomas M. Cooley Law Review, Senior Editor
- BA, Michigan State University, 2003

# **Recent Articles/News**

- Senior Counsel Diea Schum Named to Women We Admire's Top Women Leaders in Law for 2024 List
- Senior Counsel Diea D. Schum Joins Donahue Fitzgerald