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Bridget Asay is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer, who joined the firm in 2017 after serving as the Solicitor General for the State of Vermont. She has argued dozens of appeals in state and federal courts throughout the country, including twice before the U.S. Supreme Court. She has also led major trial court litigation producing multi-million dollar recoveries for both private and government clients. Her work spans all areas of law.

For over a decade, Bridget supervised and conducted litigation in the Vermont Attorney General's Office. While in public service, Bridget argued two cases before the U.S. Supreme Court: a challenge to Vermont's healthcare database on ERISA preemption grounds and a challenge to a Vermont law restricting pharmaceutical data-mining. She also served as lead counsel in Vermont's groundbreaking consumer-protection litigation against a prolific patent troll, which she guided through multiple state and federal courts. In 2021, [she testified](#) about that experience before Congress.

Bridget's experience spans virtually every area of law, including federal jurisdiction, preemption, consumer protection, environmental law, sovereign immunity, employment law, administrative law, ERISA, constitutional law, attorneys' fees, free speech, religion, civil rights, and taxation.



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A respected brief writer, Bridget is a two-time recipient of the prestigious “Best Brief Award” presented by the National Association of Attorneys General for excellence in Supreme Court brief writing. She has written multistate amicus briefs filed in the U.S. Supreme Court on a range of issues.

Earlier in her career, Bridget served as Chair of the Vermont Board of Bar Examiners, spearheading Vermont’s transition to the Uniform Bar Examination, and overseeing a complete revision of the rules of admission.

Bridget received her law degree from Yale Law School in 1995 and her undergraduate degree from Harvard University in 1992, where she graduated Phi Beta Kapa, with honors. After law school, Ms. Asay clerked for Chief Judge J. Garvan Murtha for the U.S. District Court for the District of Vermont and Justice Denise Johnson of the Vermont Supreme Court.

Associations

American Academy of Appellate Lawyers, elected fellow

Kellogg-Hubbard Library, president of the board of trustees

Vermont Advisory Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure, member

Vermont Bar Association, appellate section co-chair

Montpelier Roxbury Public Schools Board of School Commissioners, member (2015-2020) & vice-chair (2017-2020)

Vermont Board of Bar Examiners, chair (2010 – 2016)





Speaking Engagements

Appellate Practice Update, Vermont Bar Association (October 2021)

Everything But The Briefs, Vermont Bar Association (January 2021)

Broaden Your Appeal: Effective Appellate Advocacy, Vermont Bar Association (January 2019)

Effective Appellate Practice, Federal Bar Association, Vermont Chapter (May 2018)

Panelist With Justice Marilyn Skoglund, Central Vermont Inns of Court, Appellate Practice CLE (September 2017)

The Most Appealing, Vermont Bar Association (January 2015)

Panelist On Strategies for Appellate Training Program, National Association of Attorneys General, Appellate Practice Conference (May 2011, May 2012, May 2013)

Making Your Case On Appeal, Vermont Bar Association (September 2011)

Effective Trial And Appellate Brief Writing, Vermont Bar Association (January 2009)

Appellate Practice Seminar, Vermont Bar Association (March 2006)

