



## **MARK B. MELTER**

Mark is a civil litigator representing healthcare professionals, contractors, and business owners. His practice includes medical malpractice defense, licensing and administrative hearings, personal injury and catastrophic loss, and providing coverage counsel to insurers and insureds. He also prosecutes and defends civil racketeering claims under RICO and related laws. Mark is part of the FAVROS appellate practice team.

### **Practice**

- Medical Professional Liability Defense
- Insurance Coverage
- Catastrophic Personal Injury
- Civil RICO
- Appeals

### **Representative Cases**

- Forced nominal damage of \$19,500 in admitted liability trial where plaintiff asked jury for \$2.5 million for permanent nerve injuries including foot drop
- Obtained appellate decision affirming dismissal of medical negligence claims against chiropractor for alleged violations of standard of care.
- Defense verdict for physician's assistant in private trial alleging improper administration of lumbar puncture.
- \$500,000 recovery on behalf of judgment creditor from debtor hiding assets through shell company.
- Summary judgment dismissal for UIM insurer of bad faith, Insurance Fair Conduct Act, and Consumer Protection Act claims involving TBI claim.
- Rule 12(b)(6) dismissal of § 1983 claims against Washington municipality and administrative agency involving purported due process violations.
- \$500,000 of insurance coverage for policyholders arising from environmental cleanup near Port of Tacoma
- Coverage counsel to national insurer regarding property claims arising from the 2014 Oso landslide.

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### **Education**

- Gonzaga University Graduate School of Business, M.B.A., 2013
- Gonzaga University School of Law, J.D., 2012, Magna Cum Laude, Editor-in-Chief, Gonzaga Law Review
- Arizona State University, B.A., Political Science, 2006

### **Admitted to Practice**

- Washington State, 2013
- Arizona, 2013
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, 2015
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington, 2017
- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, 2017

### **Honors & Awards**

- Super Lawyers "Rising Star," Medical Malpractice, 2022
- Super Lawyers "Rising Star," Medical Malpractice, 2021
- Super Lawyers "Rising Star," Medical Malpractice, 2020