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Dot Davis is the Chair of the Board of Directors at Eckert Seamans. She concentrates her practice on commercial, business, and real estate transactions and litigation in both individual cases and class actions. Dot serves as chair of the Financial Services Litigation practice and is a member of the firm's Executive Committee and Board of Directors. Her broad litigation and counseling experience enables her to bring a unique and practical problem-solving perspective to a range of legal challenges and opportunities.

She has represented clients regarding consumer fraud and FTC statutes, RESPA, Truth-in-Lending Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, U.C.C. Article 3 and 4, loan servicing, contested foreclosures, predatory lending, Retail Installment Sales Act, Consumer Sales Practices Act, coal, oil and gas, and fiduciary duty, corporate governance and estate claims in state and federal courts, bankruptcy courts, and mediations and arbitrations. Prior to private practice, Dot was an attorney with United States Steel Corporation representing its corporate finance group, realty division, energy, purchasing, and transportation departments, and the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad and its thirteen consolidated railroads and dock companies.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Counsel for nationwide financial institutions and servicers in lender liability, contested foreclosures and bankruptcy litigation.
- Counsel in class action securities fraud, electronic funds transfer, consumer finance, antitrust, insurance coverage and toxic tort litigation.
- Counsel in litigation involving oil and gas rights including Marcellus Shale.
- Counsel in multi-billion-dollar corporate control litigation.
- Counsel in a successful $75 million minority shareholder litigation.
- National coordinating counsel for litigation, claims, and warranties for an international roof manufacturer throughout

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PRACTICE AREAS:

Financial Services Litigation

Litigation

Commercial Litigation

STATE ADMISSIONS:

Florida

Pennsylvania

West Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS:

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

U. S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

Admitted pro hac vice in Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Virginia

EDUCATION:

J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 1981

B.A., Carlow College (Carlow University), summa cum laude, 1978

the United States.

- Counsel for a $32 million divestiture of the assets of a metal and fiberglass reinforced grading product division of a publicly held corporation.
- Counsel to high-net-worth individuals and their families and private entities in real estate development transactions, litigation, family foundation, and trust issues, and the acquisition and divestiture of private companies.
- Counsels and litigates in the areas of corporate governance, fiduciary duty, lender liability, mortgage backed securitizations, real estate, leasing, consumer finance, fair credit reporting, bankruptcy, contested foreclosures, contracts, professional liability defense, insurance coverage, risk allocation and loss prevention, collections and workouts, toxic tort, wage and restrictive covenants, trademark, advertising and FTC compliance, construction, and transportation.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Allegheny County Bar Association
- Florida Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- West Virginia Bar Association
- American Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- WQED Multimedia, Board of Directors
- Carlow University, Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and Chair of Presidential Search Committee
- Pittsburgh Film Office, Board of Trustees and Executive Committee
- Pittsburgh Public Theater, Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Chair of Anti-Racism Task Force
- Manchester Craftsmen's Guild/Bidwell Training Center, Trustee Emeritus
- International Women's Forum – Pittsburgh Chapter, Member
- University of Pittsburgh Law Alumni Association, Member
- The Pennsylvania Society, Member
- Previous member of the boards of Little Lake Theater Company, The Wesley Institute, Neighborhood Legal Services, the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's New Leadership Board, Girl Scouts of Southwestern Pennsylvania, Allegheny County Library Association, and Angel Ridge Animal Rescue

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Selected for inclusion as The Best Lawyers in America 2027 for Commercial Litigation; Financial Services Regulation Law; and Litigation – Banking and Finance

- Selected for inclusion as The Best Lawyers in America 2024 – 2026 for Commercial Litigation
- Recognized by Thomson Reuters as a Stand-out Lawyer for 2025 and 2026
- Selected for inclusion in *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*
- YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh 2005 *A Tribute To Women* award in the Professional Services category
- Carlow College Woman of Spirit Award and the Carlow College Alumni Association Service Award
- Attained an AV® Preeminent™ rating from Martindale-Hubbell

NEWS AND INSIGHTS

MEDIA COVERAGE

- "More law firms appointing dual CEOs to maintain client continuity," *Pittsburgh Business Times*, May 17, 2017.
- "Law firm Eckert Seamans names first woman to CEO post," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, April 14, 2017.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "The Intersection of the Law, Creativity, Economic Development, Culture & Community: Why would you not want to be involved?" presented to the Allegheny County Bar Association Arts and Law Committee, September 2021.
- "Negotiating an Oil and Gas Lease," CONSOL Land Super School III, October 8, 2013.
- "Essential Leadership Qualities," panelist, National Diversity & Leadership Conference, September 2013.
- "Oil and Gas Litigation," CONSOL Energy Land Super School, March 26, 2012.
- "Litigating in Orphans' Court," Pennsylvania Bar Institute, 2003 and 2006.