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OVERVIEW

Sheila Phillips is a staff lawyer with K&L Gates' e-discovery analysis and technology group (e-DAT), a dedicated, firmwide practice group that deploys advanced technology, including predictive analytics and other technology assisted review resources. Sheila advises clients on a range of electronic discovery issues and strives to develop cost effective strategies to respond to each matter with an emphasis on increasing efficiencies and promoting collaboration among members of the legal team, including trial counsel, vendors, IT and other technical support personnel.

Sheila handles all stages of electronic discovery and manages document analysis and review projects as the primary/lead staff attorney on matters, including complex commercial litigation, government and internal investigations, business transactions, antitrust, patent and trade secrets litigation.

Sheila is engaged in all aspects of the discovery process, including: identification, preservation and collection, processing, document review and production.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to coming to K&L Gates, Sheila worked in HR consulting and temporary staffing industries. In addition, Sheila volunteers for the King County Bar Assn - Renton and Loren Miller Bar Neighborhood Legal Clinic, which serves King County and Washington State residents who might otherwise have no access to the legal system.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Member, Washington State Bar Association
- Member, King County Bar Association

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, Managing E-Discovery For All Types of Cases, King County Bar Association CLE (2010).

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Washington School of Law, 2000
- B.A., University of Washington, 1997 *cum laude*, *Political Science*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington

AREAS OF FOCUS

- E-Discovery Analysis and Technology (e-DAT)

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Fraud and misappropriation of trade secrets in shipping / package forwarding business.
- Derivative action pursuant to section 36(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended 15 U.S.C.
- Federal Trade Commission investigation of automotive parts distribution company (HSR Second Request) concerning the proposed acquisition by major competitor
- Environmental insurance coverage litigation involving local government entity seeking coverage for environmental liabilities and clean up costs associated with a federal Superfund site.
- Review and analyze licensing agreements to identify provisions regarding approved devices to train Kira custom fields Review, and analyze Digital Video License Agreements to identify content and advertising rights to train Kira custom model provisions to generate due diligence reportProject: compare master documents against sample set of media insertion ordersReview and analyze Mindshare and Zenith media insertion order overview document, master terms, sample contracts and Kira comparison results to confirm and document terms and carve outs identified in redlined documents
- SEC / FINRA Investigation of Brokerage Investment Firm
- Internal investigations involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and UK Bribery Act of 2010
- Contract due diligence in agribusiness sector: project to prepare closing binder for the acquisition of a national farmland portfolio
- Pharmaceutical intellectual property litigation
- Nationwide occupancy tax class actions in the online travel industry
- Breach of contract lawsuit in the oil/gas industry

- Serve as primary lead staff attorney responsible for all aspects of preservation, collection, review and production, in related criminal, state and federal court civil proceedings arising from combustion and release events that occurred in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey