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Gena Sluga is a Shareholder with Christian, Dichter, & Sluga P.C. and its Nevada affiliate, Christian, Johnson, Sluga, & Mushmeche, PLLC. Gena is licensed in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, and her practice in those states emphasizes insurance coverage analysis and litigation.

Gena is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. She maintains a Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent rating and has been recognized in *Best Lawyers in America*, *Chambers USA*, and *Southwest Super Lawyers*, which has included her in their lists of the Top 50 Lawyers in Arizona and the 25 Top Women Lawyers in Arizona.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Insurance Coverage
- Insurance Litigation and Bad Faith Defense
- Appeals

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Arizona, 1997
- U.S. District Court, Arizona
- Nevada, 2006
- U.S. District Court, Nevada
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2006
- Texas, 2012
- New Mexico, 2015
- U.S. District Court, New Mexico, 2016
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit, 2017

HONORS & AWARDS

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®-- Insurance Law, Litigation-Insurance, and Appellate Practice; 2019-present
- Chambers USA, Band 1 - Insurance, 2019-present
- Super Lawyers – Insurance Coverage and Appellate Practice; 2012-present
“Top 25 Women Attorneys in Arizona,” 2013, 2020, 2023, 2024

“Top 50 Arizona Lawyers,” 2024

- AV-Preeminent® Peer Review Rating™ by Martindale-Hubbell®
- “Top 100 Arizona Lawyers;” *AzBusiness Magazine*, 2015, 2021, 2024
- *AzBusiness Leaders (Law-Insurance); AzBusiness Magazine*, 2018, 2019
- Barrett Honors College 2018-2019 Distinguished Alumna
- Top Ten Lawyers in Arizona –Insurance Law; *AzBusiness Magazine*
- “Fifty Most Influential Women in Arizona Business;” *AzBusiness Magazine*, 2014

EDUCATION

- U.C. Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law, J.D. 1997
- Arizona State University, B.A., summa cum laude, History and Honors College, 1994
 - National Merit Scholar
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Truman Scholar

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Member, New Mexico Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure
- American Bar Association, Fellow: Tort and Insurance Practice Section
 - Robert B. McKay Law Professor Awards Standing Committee, 2020-2021
- Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel:
 - Diversity Committee, Vice-Chair 2022-2023
 - Insurance Coverage Training Academy, Chair, 2022-2023
- National Association of Minority & Women Owned Law Firms: Law Firm Member, 2015-present.
- Professional Liability Underwriters Society; Member, 2013-present
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Defense Research Institute
- Aviation Insurance Association
- Instructor, State Bar of Arizona Insurance Law Institute, January 2014

PUBLIC ARTICLES / LECTURES

- “In Search of Gold: The Quest for Lost Policies,” Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Insurance Industry Institute, November 2023; New York
- “Looking for Help in All the Right Places,” Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Winter Meeting, February 2023; Nashville, Tennessee
- “The Cyber Battleground: The Latest Developments”, Speaker, DRI’s Insurance Coverage and Claims Institute, March, 2022; Houston, Texas.
- “Specialized Settlements in the Context of Insurance & Policy Demands on the Eve of Trial”, Moderator, ABA’s Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2022
- FDCC “Living in a Pandemic;” “Caring for Aging Parents” chapter author, 2021.
- “Insurers’ Occasional Duty to Defend Offensively,” Virtual Conference of the ABA’s Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, March 2021.
- “COVID-19 Claim: Step Aside Reptile, It’s the Virus’s Turn,” Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Virtual Insurance Industry Institute, November 2020.

- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Insurance Coverage Training Academy: CGL Bootcamp, March 2020; Scottsdale, AZ.
- "Recent Critical Coverage Decision/Hindsight in 2020: Looking Back at Key Insurance Developments and How They Impact Policyholders and Insurers," Mid-Year Conference of the ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2020.
- "Halting Efforts to Erode the Corporate Attorney-Client Privilege," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Insurance Industry Institute, November 2019; New York
- "Litigation: How to Use Technology to Protect the Company, Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Corporate Counsel Symposium, Philadelphia, PA, September 2019
- "The Great Data Privacy Debate of Our Time: To Be Forgotten or Not to Be Forgotten" Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Insurance Industry Institute, Annual Meeting, Sun Valley, Idaho, July 2019
- "Recent Developments in Rescission and Misrepresentation," Mid-Year Meeting of the ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2017
- "Mentors and Champions: The Power of Positive Connections," Arizona Women Lawyers Association Annual Convention, October 27, 2017
- "Masters in Marketing," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel; Winter Meeting, Amelia Island, Florida, February 2017
- "Defense of the Emerging Claim of Aiding and Abetting Bad Faith," The Brief - American Bar Association's Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section (TIPS), October 28, 2016
- "Cyber Security Liability for Lawyers," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Webinar, April 2016
- "Cyber Risk and Data Breach Exposures," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Insurance Industry Institute, New York, October 2015
- "Aiding and Abetting Claims Against Insurance Attorneys and Other Professionals," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Winter Meeting in Amelia Island, Florida, March 2015
- "Insurance Coverage for Construction Defects in Arizona," State Bar of Arizona Insurance Law Institute, 2014
- "Claims Handling Resource for Arizona" (co-author), Claims & Litigation Management Alliance, 2013
- "Insurance Coverage Basics for Arizona Defense Attorneys," Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Phoenix, Arizona, February 2013
- "What Happens in Vegas Doesn't Always Stay in Vegas" Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Annual Meeting, Whistler, British Columbia, July 2012
- "Reservations of Rights and the Insured's Right to Personal Counsel," Council on Litigation Management, Dallas, Texas, June 2012
- "Real-Life Resolution Strategies of Bad Faith Claims," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, March 2011
- "Arizona Insurance Law," State Bar of Arizona Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, January 2011