Sheila Wall Elston



EDUCATION

University of Illinois, College of Law — Juris Doctorate, Cum Laude, 1988; Member and Assistant Editor, Law Review; and winner American Jurisprudence Award

Illinois Wesleyan University — Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude, 1985

WORK EXPERIENCE

Partner, Elston & Elston; Deerfield Illinois — 2007-2016

Partner with my husband in a small litigation counseling and consulting firm.

Of Counsel, Kirkland & Ellis; Chicago, Illinois — 1998-2004

Continued consulting along with trial preparation, attorney training for multi-district mass tort product liability litigation and successfully preparing appellate briefs and arguing appellate court matter.

Partner, Kirkland & Ellis; Chicago, Illinois — 1993 - 1998

Litigation attorney representing corporate and non-profit organizations in a wide variety of matters including; mass tort, medical product liability multi-district litigation, insurance reimbursement litigation, antitrust counseling, employment matters, architectural malpractice and land use conflicts. Responsible for briefing, motion practice, deposing witnesses, arguing motions, trial management, trial attorney and managing litigation practice. Committee member responsible for attorney recruiting, paralegal and support staff performance reviews, and attorney training.

Litigation Associate, Kirkland & Ellis; Chicago, Illinois — 1988 - 1993

Litigation attorney supporting senior litigation attorneys in complex litigation and administrative matters. Responsible for coordinating and organizing complex document productions, interrogatory responses and motion practice in various litigation and litigation support for corporate merger / antitrust matters.

VOLUNTEER / PUBLIC SERVICE

Member Bannockburn District 106 School Board; Member and Vice Chairman Bannockburn Community Caucuses; Parent Volunteer at Various Schools and community organizations; Public Service Award for pro bono legal services to public housing organization