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EDUCATION

J. D., 1999
University of Virginia School of Law

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PROFESSIONAL CAREER

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2001 – 2003
Associate
Krieg, Keller, Sloan, Reilley & Roman LLP,
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PROFESSIONAL LICENSES & AFFILIATIONS

Member, The State Bar of California
Member, Hawaii State Bar Association
Member, American Bar Association (ABA) Queen's Bench Bar Association of the San Francisco Bay Area - History Committee (Co-Chair 2011-present)
Queen's Bench Foundation Board Member 2023, 2025, and 2026
Chair for the Employee Benefits Committee of the ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section Representative, ABA Joint Committee on Employee Benefits (2022-present)
Former Co-Chair, Management, of the ABA Labor & Employment Law Section's Employee Benefits Committee (2023-2025)
Co-Chair, Diversity Committee of the ABA Labor and Employment Law Section's Employee Benefits Committee
Member, Western Pension & Benefits Council
Member, Bar Association of San Francisco
Member, Federal Bar Association
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CLARISSA A. KANG 2027 RECOGNIZED BY Best Lawyers

Clarissa advocates zealously and effectively for employee benefit plans, plan administrators, plan sponsors, and other fiduciaries before federal and state courts and government regulatory agencies.

As a director in our nationally recognized ERISA litigation group (First Tier Nationally in US News and World Report Best Lawyers), she has handled a broad spectrum of litigation, including cases involving benefit claims, fiduciary issues, plan administration, multiemployer plans, withdrawal liability, delinquent contributions, plan reimbursement and subrogation, non-ERISA benefit plans (such as governmental plans and church plans), and class actions. In addition to serving as an advocate in active litigation, Clarissa advises and represents retirement plans, health and welfare plans, and plan fiduciaries in investigations and agency actions commenced by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Internal Revenue Service, and U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. Taking a practical and thoughtful approach, Clarissa provides advice and support to plan fiduciaries on plan design and administration, including determination of benefit claims and appeals.

Clarissa is a frequent presenter and author on ERISA litigation, plan administration, benefit claims administration, and fiduciary responsibility.

Clarissa is admitted to practice before the state and federal district courts of California, (Northern, Central, Eastern, Southern), the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S. Supreme Court, and the state and federal district courts of Hawaii.

Clarissa is a Fellow in the American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, the highest level of recognition for an ERISA attorney. Selection as a Fellow reflects the College's judgment that a nominee has made significant contributions to the advancement of the employee benefits field. She has been listed as a Northern California "Super Lawyer" in the area of employee benefits law since 2014 and was selected one as of the top 50 women lawyers and top 100 lawyers in 2022 and 2023. Chambers USA has individually recognized Clarissa in the area of ERISA Litigation, USA - Nationwide since 2022. She has also been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers® in America since 2020 in the practice of ERISA Litigation. Clarissa received the Minority Bar Coalition Unity Award in 2015 for promoting diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

ABOUT TRUCKER HUSS

With more than 30 legal professionals practicing solely in employee benefits law, Trucker Huss is one of the largest employee benefits specialty law firms in the country. Our in-depth knowledge and breadth of experience on all issues confronting employee benefit plans, and their sponsors, fiduciaries and service providers, translate into real-world, practical solutions for our clients.