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Biography

Jenny Swajkoski is an associate in our Missoula office. She is licensed and maintains an active practice in Montana and Idaho. She primarily represents professionals, medical providers, health care entities, and businesses in complex litigation and in an advisory capacity. Her practice spans from medical malpractice, health care law, commercial litigation, and general liability matters, and she regularly appears in various arenas, including state and federal courts as well as before state licensing boards and other administrative bodies.

Some of Jenny's greatest strengths as a lawyer include her abilities to collaborate with others, develop thorough tactical strategies, and carefully curate persuasive narratives, which help provide opportunities for her clients to obtain favorable outcomes during all stages of litigation.

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Jenny has served as second chair in three civil trials and supporting counsel in two others. She has successfully represented clients in preliminary injunctive, punitive damage, and other complex evidentiary hearings in both State and Federal

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courts. In addition, she has served as lead counsel in over 50 mediations and small lawsuit resolution hearings, she has prepared and successfully argued over a dozen dispositive motions and several more non-dispositive motions. Jenny also has significant experience outside the courtroom to include: depositions of parties, corporate designees, expert and fact witnesses, and in witness and trial preparation.

Jenny is on the executive board for the Montana Defense Trial Lawyers, a member of the Idaho Association of Defense Counsel, and serves as the Montana state representative for DRI.

Prior to joining Hall Booth Smith, Jenny worked for top-ranked defense litigation firms in both Idaho and Montana, where she handled a large volume of third party, medical malpractice, and legal malpractice cases.

Outside of work, Jenny enjoys cooking, live music, and getting into the mountains (or just hanging out) with her family (including the pups) and friends.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- Idaho
- Montana

Education

- J.D., University of Idaho
- B.A., Environmental Studies, University of Montana

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Memberships

- Montana Defense Trial Lawyers: Board Member
- Defense Resource Institute: MDTL Representative

Presentations

- **Power of Attorney in Healthcare Settings**
Yellowstone Insurance Exchange, Risk Retention Group;
March 13, 2024
- **Downtime Process During Cybersecurity Breach**
Yellowstone Insurance Exchange, Risk Retention Group;
September 20, 2023

Publications

- [Five tips for maximizing peer review privileges in a physician's practice](#)
Physicians Practice; July 27, 2022

In the Press

[Physicians Practice: Quinlan & Swajkowski on Maximizing Peer Review](#)

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Privileges

August 3, 2022

In an article published in Physicians Practice, Montana-based Partner Jori Quinlan, Associate Jenny Swajkoski, and Summer Associate Annabelle Smith discuss what practices generally increase the likelihood that provider communications or documents will be deemed privileged. “Most states want to encourage the use of peer review panels to improve patient healthcare and have passed legislation providing

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