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#### **Practice Areas**

Accounting & Professional Liability
Business Litigation
Class Action Defense
Employment
Franchise Litigation
Products Liability

#### **Professional Profile**

Sharon Stallbaumer is a partner with Berkowitz Oliver and has a wide range of litigation experience including complex commercial litigation, class action litigation, employment defense, product liability defense, franchise litigation and accounting-related litigation. She has represented major companies and individuals nationwide, in both state and federal courts. Sharon has particular skill in legal research and in motion and brief-writing, which highlight her ability to take complex legal issues and make them both understandable and persuasive to courts and juries. In addition, Sharon has important trial experience both individually and on numerous trial teams. Of recent note, Sharon has represented:

- A world-wide retailer in defending wage and hour class actions pending in multiple states;
- A number of automobile manufacturers in both franchise and commercial litigation relating to consumer protection laws;
- A number of nationwide employers in defending employment-related claims including Title VII, FMLA, ADA, ADEA, retaliation, whistle-blower and state law discrimination claims;
- A national consumer product manufacturer in defending product liability claims;
- A national accounting firm in defending malpractice and tort claims;
- An individual accountant in defending against allegations by former clients of improper advice related to use of tax shelters.

In her personal time, Sharon keeps busy with her two sons' and her daughter's various sports-related activities, music lessons, scout meetings, school and PTA activities. Sharon also closely follows area college and professional football.

#### **Publications**

Co-Author of Kansas Chapter of the *Product Liability Desk Reference* (Daller ed., Wolters Kluwer Publishers 2004-present)

Co-Author of the Missouri Chapter of *Business Torts: A Fifty-State Guide* (Daller ed., Wolters Kluwer Publishers 2007-present)

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# Clerk Experience

Served as Law Clerk for the Honorable G. Thomas VanBebber, United States District Court for the District of Kansas

# **Professional Memberships**

Missouri Bar Association Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association Earl E. O'Connor Inn of Court, 1994-1999

#### Education

University of Kansas (J.D., 1994)

- \*Order of the Coif
- \*Editor in Chief for the Kansas Law Review
- \*Justice Lloyd Kagey Leadership Award

Kansas State University (B.A., 1991) summa cum laude

#### Admissions & Qualifications

Missouri, 1996 Kansas, 1994

U. S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

U. S. District Court, District of Kansas