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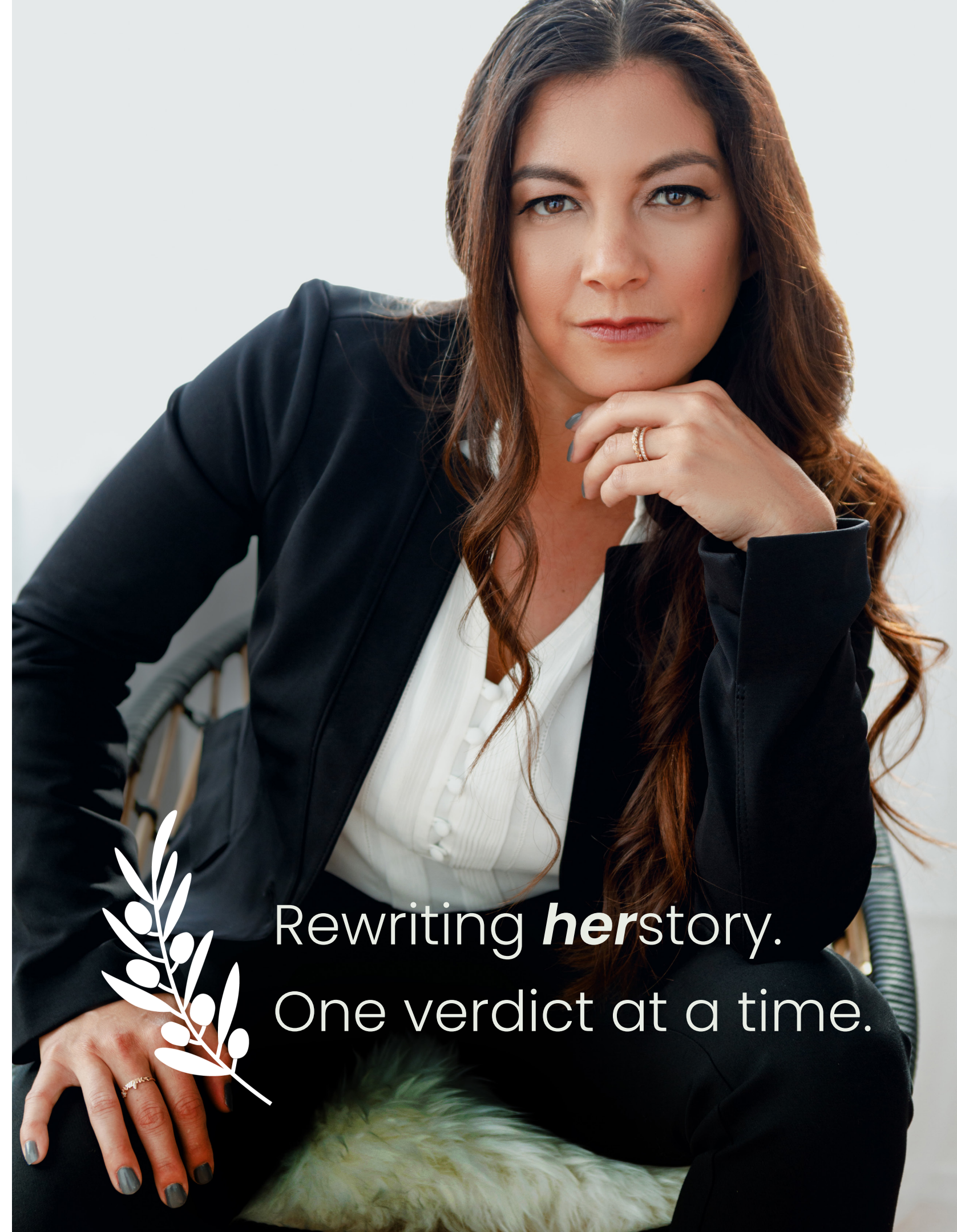
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Who are the Athea Trial Lawyers?

*What happens when six of the most prominent **women trial lawyers** in the country join together for justice?*

They change history. They journey without hesitation into uncharted territory to transform the way we think and practice law. They help trial attorneys craft a better case, build a better story, and achieve success for their clients. They obtain huge verdicts and settlements. By supporting, mentoring, and promoting **women**, they make the legal profession a better place.

With the harnessed spirit of the goddess Athea, the founders and attorneys of Athea Trial Lawyers achieve heroic victories in prominent cases with record-setting verdicts. This is an alliance of unstoppable and highly respected female trial lawyers collaborating on cases and educating their peers.

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Great trial lawyers are verbal alchemists. When the worst has happened to someone, trial lawyers take that tragic, true-life story and, by telling it truthfully and well, turn it into justice in the courtroom.

Randi McGinn

Our Verdicts & Settlements

We maximize the recovery in every case.

\$366,000,000

Defamation

\$268,600,000

Medical Malpractice Wrongful Death

\$160,500,000

Traumatic Brain Injury

\$134,000,000

Defective Prescription Drug

\$105,000,000

Medical Fraud Verdict

\$78,700,000

Defective Hormone Therapy

\$67,300,000

Wrongful Implant of Pacemaker

\$55,500,000

Asbestos Mesothelioma

\$37,600,000

Products Liability

\$36,400,000

Truck Collision Injuries

\$34,500,000

Amputation of Leg

\$34,300,000

Defective Prescription Drug

\$32,500,000

Settlement for Dangerous Roadway

\$32,000,000

Sexual Assault

\$25,200,000

Rezulin: Liver Failure

\$25,000,000

Fatal Drunk-driving Collision

\$24,000,000

Settlement for Products Liability

\$20,500,000

Wrongful Death of Child

\$20,000,000

Dangerous Condition of Roadway

\$18,900,000

Wrongful Death of Teenager

\$17,500,000

Traumatic Brain Injury

\$17,000,000

Wrongful Death of Adult Son

\$15,000,000

Wage & Hour Class Action

\$12,500,000

Products Liability Tank Settlement

\$11,550,000

Rezulin: Liver Failure Death

\$10,100,000

Hormone Replacement

Breast Cancer

\$9,900,000

Leg Amputation

\$9,500,000

Unsecured Truck Equipment Collision

\$9,450,000

Defective Hormone Drug

\$8,100,000

Motorcycle Accident Leg Injury

\$6,000,000

Traumatic Brain Injury

\$5,000,000

Wrongful Birth







Deborah Chang

Bar Membership: California, Florida, and Connecticut

Deborah Chang is the founder of Athea Trial Lawyers, a trial lawyer, and Of Counsel with Panish Shea & Boyle LLP in Los Angeles. She focuses her practice representing plaintiffs in complex catastrophic injury/wrongful death cases and has achieved some of the highest verdicts and settlements in the country.

Deborah has been an integral part of the trial teams in significant and important trials, including the Michael Jackson wrongful death case, the first ASR model hip implant trial tried in the country, and a nightclub liability case resulting in a \$160,500,000 verdict that led to necessary changes to the security guard industry. Many of her cases of first impression led to vast improvements in standards and protocols that enhanced safety for the public, including the following:

- A record \$17 million verdict in wrongful death of adult child that ensured that visually impaired patrons using trains would be protected from falling in the gap between cars—thereby setting the stage for changes throughout the industry nationwide (*Cuthbertson v. LACMTA*).
- After a nearly ten-year battle in the trial court, Court of Appeal and California Supreme Court, Deborah prevailed in a landmark case that established that colleges and universities in California have a duty to protect students from known dangers in the classroom (*Rosen v. The Regents of the University of California*).
- Bringing the first class action in the country on behalf of prisoners with AIDS in a maximum security prison, which led to a landmark settlement that established medical, programming, and housing protocols nationwide and was cited with approval by the 1991 Report to the President and Senate by the National Commission on AIDS. She thereafter drafted enacted Connecticut legislation that permitted the release of terminally ill prisoners, and established the first medical scholarship for individuals pursuing a nursing degree to work with patients with AIDS.

- In 1996, she brought the first lawsuit in the country based on the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, 42 U.S.C. section 13891 (VAWA) and successfully argued for the upholding of the constitutionality of the statute in the first federal court to consider the issue. After reaching a settlement in the case, she lectured extensively on the issue of gender-motivated violence, and was a guest commentator on several national television shows regarding the statute, both before and after the United States Supreme Court eventually ruled that the civil remedy portion of the statute was unconstitutional.

Notable Results

- A record \$160,500,000 jury verdict for a traumatic brain injury sustained at a nightclub
- A \$37,500,000 global settlement for plaintiffs sustaining injuries and damages resulting from two truck accidents occurring on Loma Vista Drive in the City of Beverly Hills
- A \$24,000,000 settlement for plaintiffs sustaining injuries in a products liability lawsuit
- A \$20,500,000 verdict for the wrongful death of a child at a school crossing
- A \$20,000,000 settlement for a bicyclist in a dangerous condition of roadway case
- A \$17,000,000 verdict for the wrongful death of a visually impaired man who fell in a gap between rail cars at a LACMTA station
- A \$14,900,000 settlement for a motorcyclist struck by a car
- A \$8,100,000 settlement for a motorcyclist striking a paper roll that dropped on a roadway
- The largest wrongful death verdict for non-economic damages for the death of an adult child in Los Angeles County and Orange County
- The largest personal injury verdict (\$17,400,000) in North County, San Diego (Vista)
- The largest personal injury verdict in Imperial County (El Centro)
- The largest personal injury verdict in San Francisco
- The two largest wrongful death verdicts in California in 2014
- The second largest automobile accident settlement in California in 2019: the 6th largest pedestrian collision settlement in California in 2019
- Four of the top 25 verdicts in California in 2015
- Four of the top 25 verdicts in California in 2016
- The second largest settlement obtained in California in 2017, and the largest motor vehicle settlement in California in 2014

Accomplishments

- Recipient, 2019 California Lawyer Attorneys of the Year (CLAY) Award for her work in Rosen, which has also been listed by the *Daily Journal* as the Top Appellate Reversal of 2018
- Selected as one of the 500 Leading Plaintiff Consumer Lawyers by *Lawdragon* (2019, 2020)
- Selected by the *National Law Journal/ALM* as one of the 2018 Elite Trial Lawyers in the inaugural Elite Women of the Plaintiffs' Bar category. The finalists were selected after thorough research analysis, and vetting by editors and reporters at *VerdictSearch*, *Law.com*, and the *National Law Journal*
- Included in *The American Lawyer's* 2018 Titans of the Industry
- Selected by the *National Trial Lawyers* as Top 100 Plaintiff Attorneys
- Named in various years by the *Daily Journal* as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California, one of the Top Plaintiff Lawyers in California, and as one of the Top Women Lawyers in California
- Recipient, *Consumer Attorneys of California (CAOC)* Consumer Attorney of the Year Award in 2014, and was a finalist for that award in 2012, 2016, and 2017
- Recipient, CAOC Women's Caucus 2017 Women Consumer Advocate of the Year Award for outstanding commitment to furthering the education and careers of women trial lawyers
- Selected for inclusion in *Super Lawyers for Southern California* and Best Lawyers in America

Associations

- President of ABOTA (2022)
- Vice President of ABOTA (2021)
- President of CAOC (2021)
- Best Lawyers in America (2021)

- Finalist for CAOY Attorney of the Year (2020)
- President-Elect, Consumer Attorneys of California
- Los Angeles Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA); Executive Committee and National Board Member: Vice-President, 2022
- Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles (CAALA)
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, President's Advisory Committee on Women
- American Association for Justice (AAJ), Member, Diversity Committee
- American Fellow, International Society of Barristers: Membership is by invitation only which is proceeded by a rigorous screening process that considers the lawyer's ability, experience, accomplishments and ethical standards as assessed by trial lawyers and judges
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America, a trial lawyer honorary society composed of less than one-half of one percent of American lawyers
- National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Plaintiff Attorneys: Membership is extended only to the select few of the most qualified attorneys from each state or region who demonstrate superior qualifications of leadership, reputation, influence, stature and public profile measured by objective and uniformly applied standards

Prior Experience

Prior to her practice at Panish Shea & Boyle LLP, Deborah represented both plaintiffs and defendants throughout the country in products liability, commercial litigation, professional liability securities fraud, and complex torts cases. She previously served as local, regional, and national counsel for a variety of companies, insurers, and manufacturers, including AIG Excess and Ford Motor Company. Understanding how defendants and insurers analyze and prepare cases has been invaluable to Deborah, and helped her achieve record settlements and verdicts.

As part of her trial practice, Deborah has been extensively involved in jury research and focus groups. In 2000, she helped conceptualize and launch one of the first companies to provide online focus groups from a unique database of nearly 3.5 million Internet users. The service is used by trial attorneys and insurers in prominent cases pending throughout the country, and was recognized by *The National Law Journal* as a helpful tool for assessing the strength and value of cases. For over a year, she served as its CEO and General Counsel.

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Randi
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Bar Membership: New Mexico and Colorado

Randi is a founder of Athea Trial Lawyers and a partner with the New Mexico firm of McGinn, Montoya, Love & Curry, PA., and is widely considered one of the most successful and formidable trial lawyers in the country. As the first female President of the prestigious Inner Circle of Advocates (best 100 Plaintiff trial lawyers in the country), she is a pioneer and mentor for generations of women trial lawyers. Randi has tried over a 100 trials to verdict in both state and federal court. The stories about Randi are legendary and true:

- She began her legal career by giving birth to her daughter the day before the three-day bar examination began—and she still passed
- She once cross-examined a lying witness so thoroughly, he threw up on the stand
- After a creative cross-examination, she left a pretentious Beverly Hills doctor/expert standing in front of the jury covered in post-its and clutching a grapefruit to his chest
- In another cross-examination, she exposed that a world-renowned polygraph expert was secretly administering polygraph tests to his own sperm cells in the dead of night
- An enamored jury once bought her a present and couldn't decide whether to give it to her before or after the verdict (they waited)
- When a vigorous defense attorney kept objecting to her questions, one of the male jurors stood up and said, "You just leave her alone!!" (and the defense attorney stopped objecting)
- Her speaking engagements are usually standing room only events, as trial lawyers are transfixed and enthralled by her stories and trial strategies
- She wears cowboy boots and stiletto heels regularly to trial

As a former journalist, Randi learned to tell a riveting story that serves her well in the courtroom. Her cases have led to significant changes in various industries that ensure public safety. Some

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Lawyer Awards

THE NATIONAL
TOP 100
TRIAL
LAWYERS

AvvoRating
10.0
Deborah Chang
Top Attorney

THE NATIONAL
LAW JOURNAL
ELITE
TRIAL LAWYERS

LCA
PROVEN TRIAL LAWYERS
LITIGATION COUNSEL
OF AMERICA
FELLOW

Daily Journal
2020
Top Plaintiff
Lawyers
Deborah S. Chang
Honoree
2020

TOPVERDICT.COM
TOP 20
SETTLEMENTS
California
2019

Behind every successful woman trial lawyer, there is a tribe of other successful women trial lawyers who have her back. Athea Trial Lawyers is your tribe, and we will always have your back.

Deborah Chang

of these cases include:

- Record wrongful death settlement after the jury reached a \$52,000,000 verdict in a case against a convenience store. Randi’s book, “Changing Laws, Saving Lives” is written like a legal thriller about the case and how she brought an industry (and its insurer) to their knees
- \$67,300,000 Wrongful implant of pacemaker verdict
- \$18,900,000 Settlement after fiery crash involving tractor trailer underide
- \$9,000,000 Medical malpractice verdict
- \$6,000,000 Wrongful death police shooting verdict
- \$3,700,000 Wrongful death verdict against Sheriff’s department

Randi is double-listed in criminal and civil litigation in *Best Lawyers in America*, and is a fellow in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers. She is a former governor of the American Association for Justice, a past president of the New Mexico Trial Lawyers Association, and a former board member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Randi has taught trial practice for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy and the National Criminal Defense College, and has been an adjunct professor for the University of New Mexico.

Accomplishments

- Best Lawyers in America (2021)
- First Woman President, Inner Circle of Advocates
- AV Rated, Martindale–Hubbell
- Best Lawyers in America, Plaintiff’s Personal Injury Law and Criminal Law
- Top 25 lawyers in NM, Southwest Super Lawyers
- Top 10 Lawyers, *Albuquerque Magazine*
- Member of Inner Circle, US 100 Top Trial Lawyers
- Recipient, Justice Mary Walters Award, UNM Women’s Law Caucus

- Recipient, UNM Distinguished Alumni Award
- Recipient, NM Status for the Commission on Women Award
- Emerge NM Woman of the Year
- First Woman Admitted to Roehl Circle of Trial Lawyers
- Listed in the American Lawyers Magazine, “Women Leaders in the Law”
- Best 100 Plaintiff’s Lawyers in the US, Inner Circle
- Lawyer of the Year, Albuquerque Bar Association
- 500 Best Lawyers in US, Lawdragon 500 (2019, 2020)
- Compassionate Gladiatrix Award



80% of lead attorneys at trial are male.
Our mission is to change that—and balance the scales of justice.



Zoe Littlepage

Bar Membership: Texas

Zoe Littlepage is a founder of Athea Trial Lawyers and a partner at Littlepage Booth Leckman, with offices in Houston and Philadelphia. With a national practice, Zoe is one of America's most respected trial lawyers: a standout talent even amongst the most talented litigators. Famed for her creative, out-of-the box litigation strategies and demonstrative "toys for trial", Zoe is consistently called upon for advice by lawyers throughout the country for one reason: she knows how to win... and win big! In the past decade, she has achieved half a billion dollars in jury verdicts and settlements for her clients.

In 2011, Zoe was inducted as one of very few women lawyers into the prestigious Inner Circle of Advocates, comprised of the best 100 Plaintiff's lawyers in the country. Fortune magazine recognized her as one of America's top twelve lawyers, and her verdicts made the list of the Top 10 Largest Verdicts in various states. American Lawyer magazine highlighted her as one of America's "Premiere Lawyers" and she has been nominated as a "Super Lawyer" every year, for over a decade. In 2008, she received the Clarence Darrow award for Best Mass Tort Lawyer of the year. *Texas Lawyer* praised her tenacity stating, "all bets should be on Littlepage." *Chambers USA*, a conservative legal publisher, quoted defense lawyer opponents as saying Zoe Littlepage does "a bang-up job for plaintiffs" because "when you see her, you know you have a fight on your hands."

Zoe is beloved by jurors who routinely commend her passion and creativity in the courtroom. Zoe takes story-telling to a new level and has a masterful ability to distill complex and complicated liability timelines into persuasive bullet points. She has used glass jars packed with M&Ms to explain relative toxicity levels from animal studies and filled clear plastic boxes with 200,000 colored toothpicks to visually demonstrate the actual risk level of defective prescription drugs. Coloring outside of the lines on visuals is her specialty. And juries love it. After one of her multi-month trials, Zoe received the highest compliment when a juror remarked that, on

Fridays, he would tell his wife that he could not wait to return to court on Monday to see what Ms. Littlepage would do next.

Born and raised in the Caribbean, Zoe moved to the United States to attend Phillips Academy in Andover, MA. She received a bachelor's degree in 1987 from Rice University in Houston, Texas with a triple major. Zoe then attended Emory University Law School and received her law degree with honors from University of Houston in 1990, where she served on the Houston Law Review.

Zoe is a dedicated educator and has been invited to speak at close to one hundred continuing legal education courses across the country and internationally. She receives rave reviews from audiences for providing insightful tips, hands-on training and creative solutions to challenges faced at trial. Zoe's goal is to help all lawyers better entertain, persuade and convince juries.

An avid adventure traveler, Zoe and her partner, Rainey Booth, have participated for more than a decade in the annual Global Scavenger Hunt, an around-the-world travel competition that raises money for charity. Competing as the "Lawyers without Borders" team, they have won first place six times and been repeatedly crowned The World's Greatest Travelers. Her blog, "*Where in the world are Rainey and Zoe?*" take us all with them on these exciting escapades.

Accomplishments

- Record-breaking verdicts, including: \$134,000,000, \$78,700,000, \$34,300,000, \$10,100,000, \$9,450,000 on behalf of women who developed breast cancer from a defective hormone therapy drug
- Record-breaking Rezulin verdicts: \$25,200,000 and \$11,550,000 for people who suffered liver failure from a defective diabetic drug
- Top 10 Largest Verdicts in various states (2007, 2009, 2010)
- Inducted into The Inner Circle of Advocates (invitation-only group of Top 100 of the best trial attorneys in America) as the fifth female member
- Best Lawyers in America (2021)
- Recipient, Clarence Darrow Award for Best Mass Tort Lawyer of the year
- Recipient, Texas "Super Lawyers" every year for over a decade

- Recipient, ABA TIPS Section “Pursuit of Justice Award” in recognition of life-time commitment to civil justice
- Recipient, Top 25 Mass Tort Trial Lawyers in the state of Texas
- The Round Table: America’s 100 Most Influential Trial Lawyers
- Best Lawyer for Pharmaceutical Litigation, Houston Magazine
- Adjunct Professor teaching Litigation and Advanced Trial Skills at University of Houston Law Center (2017–2018)



Lisa
Blue

Bar Membership: Texas

As an attorney with two masters degree and a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology, Lisa Blue PhD., J.D., is one of the most nationally recognized and most influential trial lawyers in America. She has earned over \$350 million in winning verdicts and millions more in settlements for her clients, including one of the largest mesothelioma verdicts in the state of Texas (\$55 million) and was a member of the trial team in a Texas Vioxx case that resulted in a \$253 million verdict.

As a partner with her late husband, Fred Baron, she helped build Baron and Budd into one of the largest environmental law firms in the country. In addition to her impressive legal practice, she maintains a private consultancy as a forensic psychologist and is a nationally renowned expert in jury selection. As a licensed psychologist with a creative mind, she brings her own unique style, skills and magic into any courtroom. She has written five books and numerous articles on jury selection and communication, and has served as a commentator on *Court TV* on high profile trials.

Lisa has been named as one of the Top 100 Most Influential Lawyers in America, one of the Top 50 Women Litigators in the United States, Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Texas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, as well as receiving the Honorary Barrister Award from the University of Texas Law School and the Distinguished Alumni Award from South Texas College of Law. Lisa was named Trial Lawyer of the Year in 2006 by the Dallas Bar Association, Top 50: Women Texas Super Lawyer, 2003–2014 (Super Lawyer); Top 100: Dallas/Fort Worth Super Lawyer, 2003–2014 (Super Lawyer); and Top 100: Texas Super Lawyers Top List, 2003–2014 (Super Lawyer). In 2007, she received the Louise Raggio Women’s Legal Advocate Award from Legal Aid of Northwest Texas and was awarded the Ronald D. Secrest Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award from the Texas Bar Foundation in 2008. Lisa was honored to accept the 2009 Rayburn Johnson Award posthumously on behalf of her husband, Fred Baron. In July, 2009 she received Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s “Know Your Power” Award.

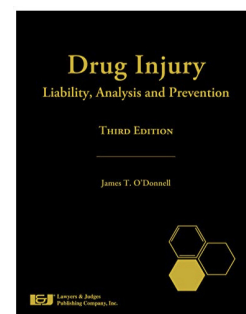


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Zoe Littlepage

In addition to her professional and political activities, Lisa has also studied languages for many years and has become fluent in French, Spanish and Italian. Her hobbies include yoga, reading, meditation and travel. She is a widow, single mother of five children and an active philanthropist.

Accomplishments

- Best Lawyers in America (2021)
- President of The National Trial Lawyers Top 100 (2020)
- American Association for Justice (President, 2013–2014)
- National Trial Lawyers Top 100 (President, 2020)
- National Trial Lawyer Hall of Fame Inductee (2015)
- American Association for Justice (Vice President, 2012–2013)
- Top 50: Women Texas Super Lawyer (*Super Lawyer*, 2003–2014)
- Top 100: Dallas/Fort Worth Super Lawyer (*Super Lawyer*, 2003–2014)
- Top 100: Texas Super Lawyers Top List (*Super Lawyer*, 2003–2014)

Associations

- Baron and Blue Foundation (Co-founder)
- Larry Hagman Foundation (President)
- American Bar Association (Task Force on the Judiciary, 1998)
- American Board of Trial Advocates (President, Dallas Chapter, 1995; President, Texas Chapter, 1998–99)
- American Psychological Association
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America
- Dallas Bar Association (Co-chair CLE committee, 1999; Board of Directors, 2000–2002; Legal Legend Award, 2011)
- Dallas Bar Foundation (Board of Trustees, 2000–2002)

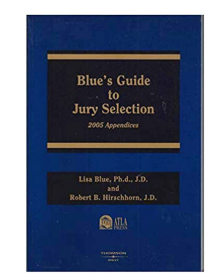
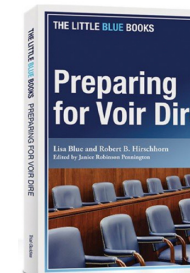
- Dallas Psychological Association
- Dallas Trial Lawyers Association
- International Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Public Citizen (Board of Directors, 1999–2008)
- State Bar of Texas (Media Response Team, 1999–2000; Jury Service Committee, 2000)
- Supreme Court Task Force on Judicial Campaign Financial Reform (1998)
- Texas Psychological Association
- Texas Trial Lawyers Association (Executive Committee 1993–97; Head of Amicus Committee, 1996)
- ATLA–Diplomat of Trial Advocacy
- Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance (Board Member)
- 2014 Vogel Alcove Thelma Vogel Award for Vision & Collaborative Efforts for Advancing the Services for Homeless Children and Families

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Women belong in every important trial
and in every courtroom where
record-breaking verdicts are rendered.

Lisa Blue



Charla Aldous

Bar Membership: Texas and Oklahoma

Charla Aldous is a founder of Athea Trial Lawyers and a partner of the Dallas-based law firm of Aldous | Walker LLP. As a trial attorney, she is nationally known for her record of success in high-profile, high-stakes civil cases. Her personal commitment to each case and meticulous detail-oriented approach have also earned her recognition among one of Texas' most acclaimed litigators.

Over her 30+ years in practice, Charla has tried nearly 200 jury trials for both plaintiffs and defendants. A former insurance and business defense attorney who leverages an intimate familiarity with the "other side," Charla's role fighting for the injured and the wronged in their pursuit of justice is one driven by a deep and personal commitment.

Charla delivers personalized representation to victims and families facing some of the most difficult experiences in their lives, as well as challenging and complex claims over sexual assault, defective and unsafe products, preventable injuries, and wrongful death. Her work includes cases against some of the largest and most powerful corporations in the country, and claims of poignant social significance which contribute to a larger conversation about civil justice, public safety, and victims' rights.

Having earned the respect of her colleagues and local communities, Charla has been named among the nation's most accomplished civil trial attorneys. She is one of the few women lawyers inducted into the prestigious Inner Circle of Advocates, comprised of the top 100 Plaintiff's lawyers in the country. Charla has served as President and of the American Board of Trial Advocates' Dallas Chapter.

Notable Results

- \$366 million verdict in defamation case
- \$286.6 million verdict in medical malpractice wrongful death case
- \$37.6 million verdict in a products liability trial involving defective seat belts in a minivan that left a college student quadriplegic
- \$32 million verdict for a girl who was sexually assaulted by two football players
- \$25 million wrongful death verdict against a nightclub that overserved alcoholic beverages to a Dallas Cowboys football star, who thereafter caused a fatal collision
- \$20 million wrongful death verdict when bus driver struck one of his passengers at a rest stop

Accomplishments

- President for Top 25 National Women Trial Lawyers Association (2021)
- Best Lawyers in America: Personal Injury Litigation-Plaintiffs and Medical Malpractice Law-Plaintiffs (2021)
- Lawyer of the Year in Dallas/Fort Worth: Med Mal-Plaintiffs (2020)
- Two of the top 100 verdicts in the nation and three of the top 10 verdicts in Texas (2019)
- Third largest verdict in Texas (2019)
- Fifth largest verdict in Texas (2019)
- National Law Journal's 2018 list of Top 100 verdicts
- Second largest negligence verdict in Texas (2011)
- Largest discrimination verdict in Texas (2010)
- National Trial Lawyers, Top 100 Trial Lawyers
- Texas Lawyer's Lifetime Achievement Award
- Lawdragon Leading Plaintiff Consumers Lawyers
- Elite Lawdragon Legends List
- Lawyer of the Year in Dallas

- Champions of Justice Award, *Texas Watch*
- *Super Lawyer's* Top 10 Lawyers in Texas
- Best Lawyers in America's Medical Malpractice Lawyer of the Year and Personal Injury
- Top 10 Winning Lawyers in America, *The National Law Journal* (2005)
- Top 10 Verdicts in the Nation, *Lawyers Weekly USA* (2000, 2004)
- Texas Verdicts Hall of Fame
- Louis B. Raggio Award from the Dallas Women Lawyers Association
- Best Women Lawyers in Dallas
- Top 50 Female Lawyers in Texas, *Super Lawyers*
- Top 100 Lawyers in Texas, *Super Lawyers*
- John Howie Award, Dallas Trial Lawyers Association
- Trial Lawyer of the Year, Texas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates (2008)

Associations

- American Board of Trial Advocates (Dallas chapter)
- American Association for Justice
- The Inner Circle of Advocates
- International Society of Barristers
- International Academy of Trial Lawyers
- American College of Trial Lawyers

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of Trial Advocates

Super Lawyers



Bibi
Fell

Bar Membership: California

Bibi Fell is a founder of Athea Trial Lawyers and the founder of Fell Law in San Diego. She primarily practices in the areas of catastrophic injury and wrongful death. After graduating *magna cum laude*, Bibi started her career handling complex business litigation matters at the then-largest law firm in the world. She obtained outstanding results in bet-the-company litigation by combining her intellect and creativity to forge a path to victory in trial courts, the California Court of Appeals, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Drawn to fight for individuals, rather than corporate interests, Bibi's focus has been on helping injured people for the last decade. In 2018, Bibi obtained the #1 Intentional Torts Verdict in California, the #2 Personal Injury Verdict in California, and a Top 10 Verdict in the United States. Bibi's noteworthy results include a \$105,000,000 verdict in a medical fraud case wherein she served as lead trial counsel, a \$15,000,000 wage and hour class action settlement, a \$5,310,000 settlement in a wrongful death case, a \$5,000,000 settlement in a medical malpractice case, a \$5,000,000 settlement for a boy hit while riding a bicycle, a \$1,850,000 settlement in a medical malpractice case, and a \$1,300,000 settlement in a drunk driving case.

Bibi is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA). Membership is extended by invitation only to lawyers who have demonstrated extensive trial experience, civility and professionalism. In 2020, Bibi received the Pepperdine Trial Lawyers Conference "Trial Lawyer of the Year" award. In 2019, Bibi received the Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award from the Consumer Attorneys of San Diego. In 2018, Bibi was one of the three finalists for Consumer Attorneys of San Diego's "Trial Lawyer of the Year." She has been selected to be a member of The National Trial Lawyers: Top 100 Trial Lawyers, the *Daily Journal's* Top 100 Women Lawyers, *Superlawyers*, and Lawdragon's Top 500 Plaintiff's Lawyers.

Other lawyers want to learn from the best, and Bibi devotes substantial time to teaching young lawyers and law students how to work up and try cases. She has taught Advanced Trial Advocacy at the University of San Diego, School of Law since 2015 and the ABOTA Trial College at Harvard Law School as a Teaching Fellow, directs the National Institute for Trial Advocacy Deposition Skills, co-chairs the Alliance of Women Trial Lawyers annual conference, and speaks at numerous trial advocacy conventions around the country.

Accomplishments

- *Daily Journal's* Top 100 Women Lawyers
- Superlawyers
- 2019 Recipient of the Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award by CASD
- One of three finalists for Consumer Attorneys of San Diego's 2018 "Trial Lawyer of the Year"
- The National Trial Lawyers: Top 100 Trial Lawyers
- Top Attorneys in Southern California
- University of San Diego, School of Law, Rising Star Recent Alumni
- #2 Plaintiff Verdict in California (2018)
- #1 Intentional Tort Verdict in California (2018)
- Top Ten Verdicts in the United States (2018)
- Recipient, Top 500 Plaintiff's Lawyers, Lawdragon (2019, 2020)
- Pepperdine Trial Lawyers Conference "Trial Lawyer of the Year" (2020)
- Successfully expanded the application of the ineffective assistance of counsel doctrine in deportation proceedings to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in what is now a widely-cited published opinion appearing in scholarly journals
- Successfully expanded the application of strict products liability law to the sale of diseased live animals in California
- Trial counsel in a four-month trial over the ownership of four hospitals in Orange County

Associations

- American Board of Trial Advocates, Member, Trial College Fellow
- Alliance of Women Trial Lawyers, Annual Conference Co-Chair
- National Institute for Trial Advocacy, Advisory Board Member, Program Director, Faculty
- University of San Diego, School of Law, Adjunct Professor
- Consumer Attorneys of San Diego, Member, Consumer Attorneys of Los Angeles, Member
- Justice Headquarters, Advisory Board Member

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Practice Areas



Motorcycle Accidents

When a motorcyclist is struck by a vehicle, catastrophic injuries can occur. Such cases require our expertise in establishing defendants' liability and proving damages.



Truck & Transportation Liability

Faulty equipment, poor management and training, and driver negligence can destroy a life in seconds.



Product Liability

When products you use every day fail, serious injury can occur. The company manufacturing that product has a responsibility to keep its customers safe.



Toxic Tort

Exposure to toxic chemicals or dangerous substances can cause long-term injury.



Premises Liability

Owners of public spaces are required to ensure their properties are safe for all visitors. When they fail at this duty, we step in.



Government Liability

State and local governments have a responsibility to keep you safe on public property. When they fail to protect you, we hold them accountable.



Fire & Explosions

These disasters cause catastrophic repercussions, and the consequences are always life-altering.



Electrocutions

Death or injuries caused by electric shock can occur at work, at home, and in public areas. Figuring out who is responsible is our priority.



Catastrophic Injuries

Burdens placed on loved ones following a life-changing event can cause crippling emotional trauma and financial ruin.



Traumatic Brain Injuries

Injury to the brain can cause multifaceted symptoms requiring long-term integrative treatment.



Amputations

Partial and complete amputations can happen as the result of a catastrophic accident. Your individual experience demands a personalized approach.



Sexual Assault/Harassment

Taking decisive action restores your power and protects your future. You don't have to suffer in silence.



The first time I ever stood up in front of a jury, I knew that it was where I belonged. If I believe in a cause, I'll fight for it with everything I've got—for as long as I need to.

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Solutions for All Your Needs

We get involved in all stages of cases: at their inception, distilling the issues, crafting the story, helping with discovery and depositions, preparing trial graphics and exhibits, conducting focus groups, taking part in jury selection, and stepping in at trial.

Whether you need us to partner with you in a case, provide funding for your case, help you find and perfect your story, create slides or videos, refer you to accomplished attorneys on our advisory board, or help you start your practice through our alliance with Justice HQ, we are here for you. We want you to succeed.

Other Services Offered by Athea Trial Lawyers

We offer full legal services for **all attorneys**, including:

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Virtual Courtroom

Case Workshops



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VISUAL STORYTELLERS

We bring stories to life in the courtroom.

That is what we are known for: key visuals that help you win at trial. And frankly, we are the best in the business at this critical task—which is the key to our success.

How do we do it? We have a unique way of brainstorming a case, analyzing the jury instructions and verdict form, reviewing the evidence, and distilling the case down to its very essence. We don't stop until it is exactly right. We spend time with our clients and their families and friends to persuasively capture the story of the case. We make sure they and/or their loved ones are never forgotten.

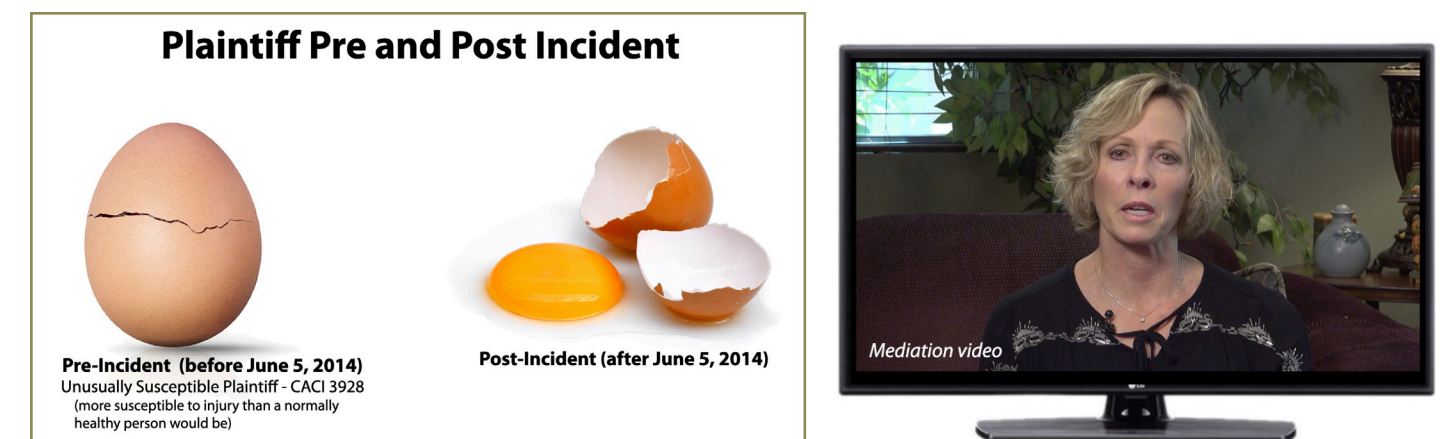
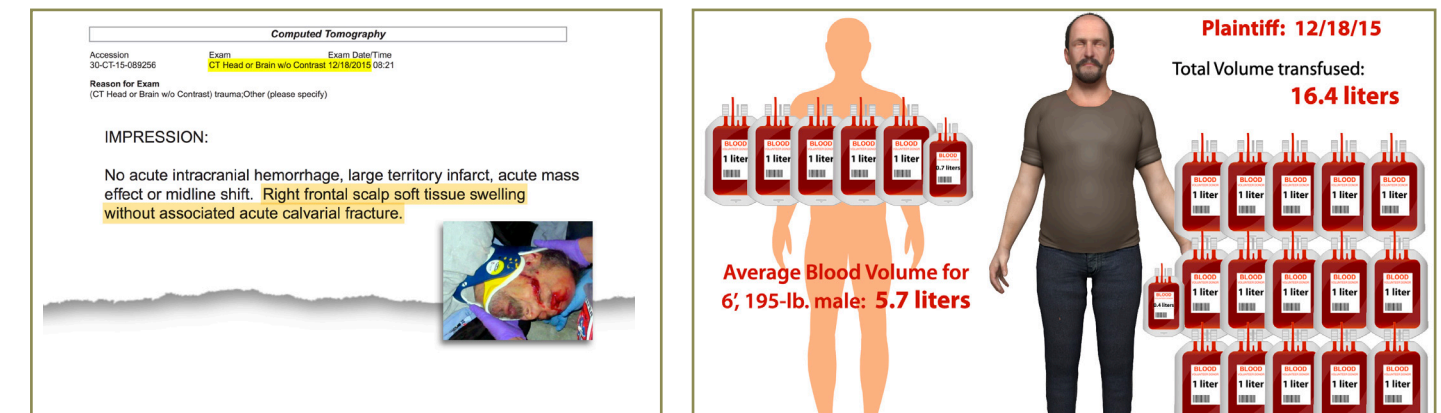


And we don't stop there. We think out-of-the-box with unfettered creativity and passion until we perfectly show and tell the story. Ingenious and inspiring slides, graphics, illustrations and animations. Models and demonstrative exhibits. Videos used in mediations and closing arguments. Whatever it takes to teach, inspire, motivate and improve the odds of winning.

Studies confirm that juries remember what they see more than what they hear. And when you couple effective graphics with the right story, jurors remember even more. We have a team of talented lawyers, artists, medical illustrators, photographers, videographers, editors, storytellers, jury consultants, and marketing professionals who will bring your story and your case to life.

Lawyers from all over the country have sought our expertise to go through our unique brainstorming and visual storytelling process at all junctures of their cases: at the inception of the case, before and during litigation and discovery, and even right before the trial.

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We are innovating the industry. **Using virtual technology like video remote meetings with document-sharing capabilities**, a focus group can proceed remotely and quickly in a cost-efficient manner. Improve the story of your case and effectiveness of your exhibits by testing them with a real group of people. Get results instantly—without even leaving the comfort of your home or office. Use technology to take your firm to the next level. Enter the real courtroom with data-driven confidence and see the results in your verdicts.

We can also perform **traditional online trial surveys using large sample sizes**, which can be useful for developing jury selection profiles and testing the impact of a specific piece of evidence or argument.



Our Jury Consultants



Sonia
Chopra, Ph.D.

Sonia has 20 years of experience in high profile trials and has been part of trial teams that achieved some of the highest verdicts in California and in Las Vegas, including for Brian Panish, Mark Robinson, and other prominent trial lawyers whose verdicts with her include: \$2 billion against Monsanto, \$417 million against Johnson & Johnson, and \$160.5 million in Las Vegas for a traumatic brain injury.



Lisa
Blue, Ph.D.

Lisa is not only an accomplished trial lawyer, but is also a world renowned jury consultant. She was an essential part of trial teams with Mark Lanier and other prominent trial lawyers whose verdicts include: \$4.69 billion against Johnson & Johnson, \$247 million against DePuy Orthopaedics Inc., and \$258 million against Merck.

Our In-House Recruiters for Focus Groups/Online Case Studies



Melissa
Galvis



Mercedes
Valero

Mercedes Valero and Melissa Galvis are the co-founders of MVG Recruiting Services, a women-owned nationwide recruiting company specializing in legal focus groups, mock juries, and shadow juries.





CASE WORKSHOPS

Build the Perfect Case with a Case Workshop

Imagine building your case with experienced attorneys and master storytellers who want to see you win.

We bring together the brightest and best trial attorneys/jury consultants in the country to help our peers distill down the issues and build the perfect story around their cases. We know how to bring the facts to life in powerful ways and maximize the results in your cases.

Join us for a workshop centered around **your case** and leave with creative exhibits, compelling slides and graphics, and visual aids for use at depositions and trial.



Our Offerings

We provide unparalleled legal representation to our clients.

We build a winning case through expert storytelling and experience.

We work with other attorneys to obtain the highest verdicts or settlements at any stage.


We fund, support, mentor and promote female trial attorneys to take lead roles in prominent cases.

We find creative ways to tell your case story with memorable, eye-catching graphics and demonstratives with our brainstorming techniques and in-house design team, Slide Girl.

We create and promote workshops for our peers to craft the perfect approach in trial.

We look beyond the walls of traditional brick and mortar law firms to promote and advance women in our courtrooms.

We invest in the future of others to create monumental change.



In the legal profession and at trial, women are stepping out of the shadows and into the spotlight.

What Attorneys Are Saying About Athea Trial Lawyers



"What a fantastic resource for the plaintiff's bar. This is a brain-trust like no other I have seen in the legal field. I would trust these lawyers—and would welcome their help—in any case or trial."

–**Rick Friedman**, Friedman | Rubin, PLLP, Bremerton, WA

Author, *Rules of the Road*, *Polarizing the Case*, *Becoming a Trial Lawyer*, *The Elements of Trial*

"At last, a group of brilliant, dynamic, successful women lawyers working together; there is absolutely nothing they can't do!"

–**Shawn Holley**, Kinsella Weitzman Iser Kamp & Aldisert LLP, Santa Monica

Nationally recognized entertainment, business and criminal attorney

"These are the women superheroes of the plaintiff's bar. The bad guys better watch out!"

–**Christine Spagnoli**, Greene Broillet & Wheeler, LLP Santa Monica

Former President, Consumer Attorneys of California and the Consumer Attorneys Association of California

"Women are an invaluable resource at trial and so important to our legal profession. The jurors need to hear a compelling story at trial—and telling that winning story is what Athea Trial Lawyers do."

–**Brian J. Panish**, Panish Shea & Boyle LLP, Los Angeles

President, Inner Circle of Advocates

"Just like Athea, the goddess of wisdom, courage, inspiration, strength, law and justice, the women who have founded this great organization exemplify those qualities. They strive to encourage those traits in other women and give opportunity for other women to succeed in the courtroom. They lead with caring, skill, and a vision to make a difference in the careers of women trial lawyers."

–**Mary Alexander**, Mary Alexander & Associates, P.C., San Francisco

Past President, American Association for Justice and the Consumer Attorneys of California

"These are among the brightest, most creative, and hard-working trial lawyers I know—and, in joining together, they have assembled an unstoppable dream team. Clients who retain this firm can rest assured that they are represented by some of the most talented, legally savvy attorneys in the country."

–**Ben Rubinowitz**, Gair Gair Conason, New York

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"We all need what Athea Trial Lawyers offers: great trial lawyers whose creativity and out-of-the-box ideas are game changers. I have successfully relied on Lisa Blue's ingenuity and genius ideas for years—and this consolidation of like-minded women blows my mind. We need more women in important trials—and Athea Trial Lawyers will lead the way."

–**W. Mark Lanier**, The Lanier Law Firm, Houston

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