

*Katherine Venti has more than 25 years of diverse litigation experience in state and federal courts where she concentrates on representing clients facing products liability, personal injury and business-related legal disputes and bringing such disputes to successful resolution.*



## Katherine E. Venti

Shareholder | Salt Lake City

### Biography

#### Practice Experience

In the area of products liability, Ms. Venti has represented large and small equipment manufacturers, pharmaceutical manufacturers, product distributors and suppliers in a multitude of serious injury, major property damage and business interruption cases. She also has extensive experience in representing a number of companies in asbestos injury cases, other toxic tort cases and maritime accidents. She is a highly skilled litigator and advocate who expertly balances her clients' business and professional priorities with the stressors and requirements of litigation.

#### Professional Involvement

Ms. Venti's involvement in the legal profession is dedicated to the development and continuation of a diverse, ethical, civil and congenial practice of law through her commitment as:

Past chair of Parson's Litigation practice group

Chair, Parsons' Recruiting Committee and director of Summer Associate Program

Member, Parsons' Diversity Committee

Chair, Local Rules Advisory Committee for the United States District Court, District of Utah

Past vice chair, Ethics and Discipline Committee of the Utah Supreme Court

Mentor, Utah State Bar Association's New Lawyer Development Program

Past member, Utah Bar Character and Fitness Committee

### Contact information

801.536.6628

[kventi@parsonsbehle.com](mailto:kventi@parsonsbehle.com)

### Capabilities

Insurance Litigation

Product Liability Risk Management

Business & Commercial Litigation

### Licensed/Admitted

Utah

Montana

West Virginia

U.S. Dist. Court, Dist. of Utah

U.S. Dist. Court, Northern Dist. of West Virginia

U.S. Dist. Court, Southern Dist. of West Virginia

Past member, Advisory Committee for the Utah Rules of Professional Conduct

## Experience

### Medical Malpractice Insurance Defense

Defending a plastic surgeon client in a punitive damages claim against his medical malpractice insurer.

## Accomplishments

### Professional

United States District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky, Judicial Clerk, United States Magistrate Judge Peggy E. Patterson, 1992 - 1994

Member, Jackson Kelly PLLC, Charleston, West Virginia, 1994 - 2001

AV® Preeminent™ Rated

Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers, Martindale-Hubbell

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* since 2010

Salt Lake City Product Liability Litigation "Lawyer of the Year," 2012

Salt Lake City Product Liability Litigation - Defendants "Lawyer of the Year," 2015

Listed as one of the "Top 50 Women Attorneys" in *Mountain States Super Lawyers*, 2013, 2017, 2021, 2024

Listed as a "Super Lawyer" in *Mountain States Super Lawyers*, 2012 - present

Listed as one of *Salt Lake Magazine's* "Top Women Attorneys," July 2013

Listed in *Utah Business Magazine's* "Utah Legal Elite" for Civil Litigation, 2015, 2018, 2019 and 2020

### Academic

Boston University School of Law, J.D. 1992

Franklin & Marshall College, B.A. 1983

## Associations

### Professional

American Bar Foundation, Lifetime Fellow

Utah Bar – Member - (2002 - Present)

Salt Lake County Bar Association – Member - (2002 - Present)

West Virginia Bar Association – Member - (1992 - Present)

American Bar Association - Member; Product Liability Committee - (1999 - Present)

Defense Research Institute (DRI) - Member; Product Liability Committee - (2004 - Present)

Association of Defense Trial Attorneys (ADTA) – Member - (2001 - Present)

International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) - Member - (2014 - Present)

Women Lawyers of Utah - (2002 - Present)

### **Community**

Past board member and vice chair of the Board of Directors of the YWCA Utah. Katherine also chaired the selection committee for the YWCA CEO position.

Past board member, vice chair and chair of the Board of Directors of Planned Parenthood of Utah. Katherine also chaired the committee that conducted the search for the new CEO.