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Brian Kiolbasa represents financial institutions, businesses and individuals in a broad range of commercial and complex litigation matters in state and federal courts throughout Oregon. He works closely with clients to develop a litigation strategy for high stakes lawsuits and to address emerging legal issues.

Brian has experience in all aspects of litigation, and has successfully represented a number of clients in:

- Lender liability actions;
- Premises liability claims;
- Business torts;
- Products liability; and
- Contract disputes.

He has drafted appellate briefs in both the Oregon Court of Appeals and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. In addition, Brian has experience in the enforcement of maritime liens and preferred vessel mortgages, marine collisions and personal injuries, and vessel arrests.

## Experience

### California Based National Lender Mortgage Litigation

Assisted a California based national lender in setting aside a \$750,000 default judgment levied against it.

## Practices & Industries

Commercial Litigation  
Financial Institutions Litigation &  
Investigations  
Transportation

## Education

University of Notre Dame Law School,  
J.D., 2007

- *Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics & Public Policy*, Executive Articles Editor
- Business Law Forum, President
- School Inc. Program, Mentor

Arizona State University W.P. Carey  
School of Business, B.S., *cum laude*, 2003

## Admissions

Oregon  
Illinois (Inactive)  
U.S. District Court, District of Oregon  
U.S. District Court, Northern District of  
Illinois

## Professional Experience

Prior to joining Lane Powell, Brian spent three years working as a litigation associate in Chicago. Before attending law school, he worked as a financial analyst for a Fortune 500 corporation in the Phoenix metropolitan area.

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

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## Honors

“Oregon Rising Star,” Thomson Reuters, Business Litigation (2016-2019); General Litigation (2014-2015); Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights (2013)

Recognized in the Oregon State Bar Pro Bono Honor Roll for multiple years

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## LinkedIn

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/brian-kiolbasa-a67a704/>

## Community Involvement

Maritime Law Association, Associate Member (2017-Present)

Special Olympics Oregon, General Counsel, Pro Bono (2012-Present)

Oregon Lawyers Against Hunger, Board of Directors (2012-Present)

National Center for State Courts, Young Lawyers Committee (2016-Present)

Federal Bar Association – Banking Law Section, Member (2012-Present)

Oregon Law Center Pro Bono Clinic, Volunteer

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## Thought Leadership

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**May 26, 2020** | Event / CLE

Transportation Law: Emerging Legal Issues for Planes, Trains, Automobiles, Boats, Trucks, and Even Robots!

LawPracticeCLE | Webinar

**January 1, 2020** | Publication

Drafting and Issuing Discovery Subpoenas: Oregon

*Practical Law*

**January 1, 2020** | Publication

Responding to Discovery Subpoenas: Oregon

*Practical Law*

**October 2019** | Publication

Residential Foreclosures (Judicial) (OR)

Westlaw Practice Note

**July 9, 2019** | Event / CLE

Introduction to Transportation Law – It’s a Multi-Modal World Out There

ProLaw CLE | Webinar

**July 5, 2019** | News

Twenty-one Lane Powell Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* in Alaska and Oregon

Awards & Honors

**June 25, 2019** | Publication

Maritime Law: Punitive Damages Are Not Available for an Unseaworthiness Claim

Transportation Legal Update

**December 11, 2018** | Publication

Supreme Court to Resolve Circuit Split; Will Decide Whether Jones Act Seamen May Seek Punitive Damages in Connection With Unseaworthiness Claims

Transportation Legal Update

**August 23, 2018** | Publication

Ninth Circuit Rules Vessel Owner-Passenger Has No Duty to Keep Lookout, Adopts Eleventh Circuit's Standard

Transportation Legal Update

**July 24, 2018** | News

Twenty-three Lane Powell Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* in Alaska and Oregon

Awards & Honors

**April 2, 2018** | Publication

Ninth Circuit Rules That Bankruptcy Filing Does Not Affect District Court's In Rem Jurisdiction Over Vessel and Adopts Burden-Shifting Approach to Pretrial Awards of Maintenance Payments

Transportation Legal Update

**July 10, 2017** | News

Twenty-three Lane Powell Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* in Alaska and Oregon

Awards & Honors

**January 3, 2017** | News

Lane Powell Announces New Shareholders

Firm Announcement

**2016** | Publication

Drafting and Issuing Discovery Subpoenas: Oregon

*Practical Law*

**July 11, 2016** | News

Twenty-one Lane Powell Attorneys Recognized by *Super Lawyers* in Alaska and Oregon

Awards & Honors

**2016** | Publication

Responding to Discovery Subpoenas: Oregon

*Practical Law*

**July 8, 2015** | News

Fifteen Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Oregon Super Lawyers' and Four Named as 'Oregon Rising Stars'

Awards & Honors

**July 9, 2014** | News

Fifteen Lane Powell Attorneys Named 'Oregon Super Lawyers' and Five Named as 'Oregon Rising Stars'

Awards & Honors