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Justine Baakman is a member of the firm's Commercial Litigation and Construction Law Practice Groups. Justine's practice includes representing corporate clients in complex commercial matters including claims of breach of contract, fraud and material misrepresentation. She has also litigated matters involving allegations of violation of consumer protection laws and unfair trade practices. Additionally, Justine has defended clients against claims involving the due diligence of their boards and directors and has represented her clients in litigation stemming from the dissolution of partnerships.

Justine has experience with large-scale government, commercial and residential construction matters including construction defect and bond claims. She has been involved in the pursuit and defense of mechanic's liens. Justine has also successfully defended clients against allegations of violations of applicable federal law, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, and regulatory standards, including the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Beyond representing her clients in active litigation, Justine also counsels clients on strategies to avoid litigation, including implementing document retention policies, safety and job training programs and risk transfer via contract terms. She often plays a role in negotiating contract terms for her clients to ensure optimum business outcomes.

Education

- Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law (J.D.)
- University of Scranton (B.S., *magna cum laude*)

State Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Services

- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law, Transactions and Disputes

- United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey

Recognitions

- Named *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* for Litigation Construction (2024-2025)

Publications & News

May 15, 2026

Offit Kurman Attorneys Recognized in 2026 New York Metro Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars Lists

March 8, 2022

Offit Kurman Announces the Promotion of Four New Principals and Five Counsel