



Olivia Benson

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Biography

Olivia Benson focuses her practice on representing policyholders in complex insurance coverage disputes and recovery matters. Drawing on her extensive litigation background, Olivia brings strategic insight, practical judgment, and meticulous attention to detail to every matter she handles. Before joining SDV Fenchurch, she represented secured and unsecured creditors in bankruptcy proceedings throughout the United States and advised banks, businesses, real estate developers, and individuals in state and federal courts nationwide. Her prior practice encompassed a broad range of commercial litigation matters, including contract disputes, foreclosure actions, receiverships, and replevin proceedings.

Olivia was recognized by the Connecticut Bar Association as the 2024-2025 Rising Star of the Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section and was named 2023-2024 Rookie of the Year by the Young Lawyers Section. She currently serves as Treasurer of the Connecticut Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section.

Experience

Olivia represents policyholders in a broad range of complex insurance coverage matters, helping businesses maximize insurance recoveries and navigate disputes with insurers. Her experience includes pursuing coverage under a wide variety of insurance products, including commercial general liability, professional liability, and builder's risk. She has also developed experience in niche coverage areas, including stop loss insurance.

Education

University of Connecticut School of Law, J.D., honors — Insurance Law and Regulation Certificate; Connecticut Law Review

University of Connecticut, B.S. Cognitive Science, honors

University of Connecticut, B.A. Theatre Studies, honors

Memberships and Affiliations

Connecticut Bar Association

Young Lawyers Section, Treasurer 2026-2027

Young Lawyers Section, Secretary 2025-2026

Co-Chair, Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section, 2023-2025

Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section, Executive Committee 2023-2026

Achievements

Rookie of the Year, 2023-2024, Connecticut Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section

Rising Star, 2024-2025, Connecticut Bar Association, Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section

Admissions

Connecticut

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

Experience continued

In addition to coverage litigation, Olivia has experience handling matters involving insurer bad faith and unfair claims-handling practices, including claims arising under the Connecticut Unfair Trade Practices Act (CUTPA) and the Connecticut Unfair Insurance Practices Act (CUIPA). She works closely with policyholders to hold insurers accountable when coverage determinations, claims investigations, or settlement practices fail to comply with applicable legal and regulatory standards.

Olivia's extensive commercial litigation experience gives her a distinct advantage in understanding the broader strategic and business considerations that often accompany insurance risk, enabling her to provide practical and effective counsel to policyholders.

Admissions continued

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

