



## KATHLEEN HALE

Kathleen has significant experience representing both businesses and individuals in civil litigation and trials in federal and state courts. Kathleen has represented corporate clients in intellectual property and contract disputes. She also has defended a corporate client being investigated by the federal government. In addition, Kathleen has represented individuals in civil rights, personal injury, wrongful death, and products-liability cases.

Representative matters at Gilbert LLP include:

- Representing Alpha Mining Systems, a Florida-based tire distributor, and its President in *In re Outsidewall Tire Litigation*, 09-cv-1217, where a \$26 million verdict was obtained in Alpha's favor. The lawsuit was filed in the Eastern District of Virginia against a tire distributor from Dubai and a tire manufacturer from China for stealing Alpha's intellectual property, including blueprints, related to specialized underground mining tires that were designed and developed by the plaintiff. The jury found that the defendants were liable for copyright and trademark infringement, conversion and civil conspiracy. The \$26 million verdict is one of the largest individual copyright infringement awards in U.S. history, and one of the largest verdicts of any type in Virginia over the past several years.
- Representing a group of doctors and other professionals in a class-action lawsuit against a life insurance company for breaching the terms of the plaintiffs' so-called vanishing premium life insurance policies.
- Representing a major auto parts supplier in litigation over insurance coverage for asbestos-related claims.

Kathleen also has considerable experience working with federal judges. She has served as a staff attorney for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, a law clerk to the Honorable William C. Canby on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and a law clerk to the Honorable Neil V. Wake on the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona.

### NEWS

- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly Recognizes Gilbert LLP for Winning Largest 2010 Jury Verdict in the State*, January 20, 2011
- *\$26M Verdict by Virginia Jury is One of the Largest Individual Copyright Infringement Awards in U.S. History*, July 22, 2010
- *\$26M verdict returned in trade-secret case*, Virginia Lawyers Weekly, July 22, 2010

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member and former Co-Chair, Arizona State Bar Committee on Minorities and Women in the Law
- American Constitution Society
- Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for two children in foster care
- Pima County Juvenile Court volunteer facilitator

### ASSOCIATE

HALEK@GOTOFIRM.COM

PHONE: (202) 772-2338

### EDUCATION

- 2004 - J.D., The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law (Order of the Coif)
- 2001 - B.A., Bowling Green State University (*summa cum laude* with honors)

### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- Arizona
- District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

## KATHLEEN HALE (CONTINUED)

- Lawyers for Literacy Volunteer