

# Collette C. Leland

*Lawyer*



**Paralegal:**  
Tina Hatfield

Collette Leland has been practicing with Winston & Cashatt since 2009, and works out of its offices in Coeur d'Alene and in Spokane.

Collette has been named a Rising Star by Washington Law & Politics Magazine and one of Spokane's Top Lawyers by Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Magazine. Collette has an Avvo rating of 10.0, and has an AV – Preeminent Rating from Martindale Hubble.

## **Background**

Collette grew up in the Pacific Northwest and returned after a 22-year hiatus to be near family and attend Gonzaga Law School. She graduated summa cum laude and number two in her class, while raising two teenagers and clerking for the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Washington.

After graduation, Collette served as a judicial clerk for Washington Supreme Court Justice Mary E. Fairhurst, who influenced Collette's approach to the practice of law and life. Collette served briefly as a deputy prosecuting attorney after her clerkship before joining Winston & Cashatt in 2009.

Collette's practice focuses on complex litigation, including trust and estate disputes, business disputes, and construction. She has represented public entities and contractors, trustees and beneficiaries, businesses and individuals—enjoying the opportunity to solve problems for her clients.

Collette lives in Coeur d'Alene with her husband Ed, and enjoys time with their five adult children, hikes in the mountains, biking, cooking, and learning new things.

## **Reported and Unreported Opinions**

State v. Hawkins, 181 Wn.2d 170 (2014)

In Re Guardianship of Black, 7 Wn. App. 1077 (2019)

Mullenix v. Sysco, Inc., 2014 WL 3587581 (2014)

Mullenix v. Sysco Spokane, Inc., 2014 W 3012830 (2014)

## **Areas of Emphasis**

Probate, Trust & Estate Litigation

Construction Law

Complex Civil Litigation

Mediation

Settlement Guardian Ad Litem

## **Education**

Gonzaga University School of Law,  
J.D., summa cum laude, 2008

Eastern Washington University, B.A.,  
1985

## **Admitted to Practice**

Washington State Supreme Court

Idaho Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the Eastern  
District of Washington

U.S. District Court for the Western  
District of Washington

U.S. District Court for the District of  
Idaho

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of  
Idaho

United States Court of Federal Claims

**Professional and Civic Activities**

Executive Women International, Spokane Chapter, Past-President

Idaho Women Lawyers

