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PRACTICE EMPHASIS

- Class Actions
- Consumer & Data Privacy Protection
- Employee Benefits & Retirement Security

EDUCATION

Swarthmore College

B.A., 2002, Linguistics and Languages (Spanish & Mandarin Chinese); McCabe Scholar

University of California, San Diego

M.A., 2007, Latin American Studies (International Migration)

University of Washington School of Law

J.D., 2012

Alison Gaffney leaves no stone unturned. A member of Keller Rohrback's nationally recognized Complex Litigation Group, Alison is a thorough researcher and a quick study no matter the factual context. At Keller Rohrback, Alison has devoted her time to representing employees and consumers in a variety of class action and individual claims. She represents pension plan participants challenging hospital conglomerates' claimed "church plans" status in *Holcomb v. Hospital Sisters Health System* (C.D. Illinois) and *Carver v. Presence Health Network* (N.D. Illinois). In *Dolins v. Continental Casualty Company* (N.D. Illinois), Alison represents a putative class of employees in their ERISA breach claim. Alison also represents consumers in a class action case currently pending before the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit regarding the prescription drug Cymbalta, and serves as counsel in *Kessler v. Samsung Electronics America, Inc.* (E.D. Wisconsin), a class action involving alleged defects in Samsung's S7 series smartphones.

Prior to law school, Alison completed a master's degree focused on international migration. During law school, she interned with the Seattle Immigration Court. In addition, she represented clients in deportation proceedings through the law school's Immigration Law Clinic and with the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, where she continues to volunteer. As a pro bono attorney, Alison has had the privilege of representing individuals from many countries, including Mexico, Venezuela, Rwanda, and Kenya.

When she is not fighting for her clients, Alison is busy keeping up with her two young and energetic sons, scrambling with The Mountaineers, and generally enjoying the beauty of the Pacific Northwest.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

2012, Washington

2013, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

2015, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

2016, U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois

2013, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

2014, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

2016, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

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PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Washington State Bar Association, *Member*

King County Bar Association, *Member*

Mother Attorneys Mentoring Association of Seattle
(MAMAS), *Member*

Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, *Pro Bono Attorney*

LANGUAGES

Spanish