

## Justice J. Brooks, I

Principal

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Justice's practice focuses on commercial, business and real estate litigation as well as employment investigations and bankruptcy matters.

He has a broad range of trial and appellate experience in state and federal court. Justice advises and trains clients on business and employment matters and is a thought leader on topics relating to generative AI and its applications in the legal profession.

Justice currently sits on the Multnomah Bar Association Board of Directors and the Executive Committee for the Oregon State Bar—Litigation Section. He received his juris doctorate from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen School of Law, holds an MBA from Alaska Pacific University and holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Alaska Anchorage.

### Education

J.D., University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen School of Law (*magna cum laude*), 2014

M.B.A., Alaska Pacific University, 2008

B.A., University of Alaska Anchorage, Psychology, 2006

### Services

Litigation  
Construction  
Creditors' Rights & Bankruptcy  
Eminent Domain & Inverse Condemnation  
Labor & Employment Litigation  
Real Estate  
Artificial Intelligence

### Admissions

Oregon, 2019  
Arkansas, 2014

## Honors & Recognition

*Best Lawyers*: Ones to Watch – Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Real Estate, 2025

Forty Under 40 Honoree, Portland Business Journal, 2022

Top 40 Under 40 Attorney, The National Black Lawyers, 2022

Rising Star, Oregon Super Lawyers, 2023-present

Rising Star, Mid-South Super Lawyers, 2017-2018

## Professional Activities

Multnomah Bar Association, Member

Board of Directors

- Events Committee, 2022-present
- CLE Committee, Chairperson, 2019-2022

Oregon State Bar, Litigation Section Executive Committee, Member, 2019-present

Foster Garvey, [Opportunity & Progress Council](#), Member, 2021-present

Foster Garvey, Professional Development Committee, Member, 2022-present

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen School of Law

- Professional Mentor Program, Mentor, 2020-present
- Alumni Association, Board Member, 2018-2020

W. Harold Flowers Law Society, President, 2017-2018

## Community Activities

Know Me Now, Crew Member, 2021-2022

American Red Cross of Greater Arkansas, Board Member, 2017-2018

## Experience

Judgment for regional transit authority

Secured judgment for a large regional transit authority that permitted the continued construction of a large-scale transit project.

Multimillion-dollar construction dispute

Obtained dismissal of a multimillion-dollar lawsuit related to the construction of a mixed-use building in Portland, Oregon.

**Enforcement and payment of membership transfer agreements**

Procured the enforcement and payment of membership transfer agreements for multiple legal entities.

**Affirmance of trial court decision**

Obtaining affirmance of trial court decision for property owners' association

**Defense in adverse possession and boundary by acquiescence claims**

Successful defense of adverse possession and boundary by acquiescence claims

**Defense in breach of contract claims**

Successful defense of breach of contract cases, including misappropriation of trade secrets and bad faith claims

**Defense of FMLA, ADA, ADEA and race discrimination claims**

Successful defense of Family and Medical Leave Act, Americans with Disabilities Act, Age Discrimination in Employment Act and race discrimination claims

**Insurance coverage litigation**

Successful representation of insureds and insurers in coverage litigation

**Malicious prosecution claims**

Successful defense of a malicious prosecution claim

**Marijuana business licensing guidance**

Representation of clients through the marijuana licensure process

**Non-compete agreement disputes**

Obtaining invalidation of a covenant-not-to-compete contract

**News**

65 Foster Garvey Attorneys Selected to The Best Lawyers in America® 2025, Three Named 'Lawyer of the Year'

*Foster Garvey Newsroom, 8.15.24*

Six Portland Attorneys Named to 2024 Oregon Super Lawyers Lists

*Foster Garvey Newsroom, 7.24.24*

Six Portland Attorneys Named to 2023 Oregon Super Lawyers Lists

*Foster Garvey Newsroom, 7.24.23*

Foster Garvey Elevates Five to Principal  
*Foster Garvey Newsroom*, 1.5.23

Justice Brooks Receives 2022 *Portland Business Journal* 40 Under 40 Award  
*Foster Garvey Newsroom*, 5.13.22

*Portland Business Journal's* 2022 Forty Under 40 Profile: Justice Brooks  
*Foster Garvey Newsroom*, 5.13.22

Foster Garvey Welcomes Justice Brooks as an Associate in the Firm's Litigation Practice  
*Foster Garvey Newsroom*, 12.14.20

### **Speaking Engagements**

"The Impact of Generative AI and the Legal System," OWLS Annual Fall CLE  
CLE  
Portland, OR, 11.7.24

"An AI Odyssey: How Practitioners Are Leveraging Artificial Intelligence," ABA Section of  
Environment, Energy and Resources Fall Conference  
Speaking Engagement  
Seattle, WA, October 23 - 25

"Motions to Strike," Business Litigation Section  
Speaking Engagement  
Portland, OR or Virtual, 10.24.24

"Navigating the New Frontier: Artificial Intelligence in the Judiciary," Judicial Conference  
Speaking Engagement  
Sunriver, OR, 10.8.24

"Case Law Update," 2024 Debtor-Creditor Section Annual Meeting and CLE  
Speaking Engagement  
Gleneden Beach, OR, September 27-28, 2024

"The Use and Potential Impacts of Generative AI in Law," 2024 Oregon State Bar Litigation  
Institute and Retreat  
Event  
Gleneden Beach, OR, 2.23.24

"The Next Generation and the Future of Business Litigation", 2024 American Bar Association  
Conference  
Panel Discussion  
Louisville, KY, 2.1.24

YLS Spring 2023 CLE Seminar Series  
Speaking Engagement  
4.23.23

"Success Tips For Lawyers Joining Firms," Oregon State Bar Professional Liability Fund – 2022  
Learning the Ropes Seminar  
Speaking Engagement  
Portland, OR, 11.9.22

"Bankruptcy and State Court Case Law Update," 2022 Oregon State Bar Debtor-Creditor  
Section Annual Meeting and CLE  
Speaking Engagement  
Portland, OR (Hybrid), 9.30.22

"Real Estate Case Law Update," Oregon State Bar Real Estate and Land Use Section Annual  
Summer Conference  
Speaking Engagement  
Salishan Coastal Ledge, Gleneden Beach, OR, 8.12.22

"Bankruptcy and State Court Case Law Update," 2021 Oregon State Bar Debtor-Creditor  
Section CLE and Annual Meeting  
Speaking Engagement  
Sunriver, OR (In-Person & Virtual Event), 10.29.21

"Real Estate Case Law Update," 2021 Oregon State Bar RELU Summer Webinar Series  
Speaking Engagement  
Virtual Event, 9.9.21

"The Ethics of Representing Marijuana Related Businesses," Arkansas Bar Association  
Speaking Engagement  
Arkansas Bar Association, 11.8.17

"Scariest Things About Marijuana Law," Arkansas Bar Association  
Speaking Engagement  
Arkansas Bar Association, 10.31.17

"Senate Joint Resolution 8," W. Harold Flowers Law Society  
Speaking Engagement  
W. Harold Flowers Law Society, 6.17.17

## **Publications**

Understanding Generative AI: A Primer for the Next Step in AI and Its Legal Applications  
*Oregon State Bar Bulletin* , 4.24

"The Ethics of Representing Marijuana-Related Businesses"  
*The Arkansas Lawyer, Vol. 52, No. 2, Spring 2017, Spring 2017*

Mendoza v. WIS International, Inc.: The Supreme Court's Decision Makes Seat Belt Non-Use  
Relevant Evidence  
*The Arkansas Lawyer, Vol. 52, No.1, Winter 2017, Winter 2017*

Banking with Marijuana-Related Businesses: A Different Perspective  
*Arkansas Community Banker, Winter 2017*