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Main Bio

Christian Ogata is an associate in the firm's commercial litigation practice group. He focuses his practice on complex business and commercial disputes, including breaches of contract, shareholder disputes, and insurance and employment litigation. Christian also defends manufacturers of consumer goods, automobiles, and medical-device products against consumer-warranty and fraud claims, as well as claims of wrongful death and catastrophic injury. Before joining Snell & Wilmer, Christian was a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey, United States District Judge for the District of Nevada. Christian is also a member of the firm's Attorney Development Committee.

Education

- University of Nevada, William S. Boyd School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*)
 - William S. Boyd Outstanding Graduate Award
 - Scribes Award, The American Society of Legal Writers
 - Nevada Law Journal, Articles Editor
 - Society of Advocates Moot Court Team, President
 - CALI Awards for Excellence in ADR in Employment Law and Resort Hotel Casino Law
 - Dean's Honor List
 - Robert F. Wagner National Labor & Employment Law Moot Court Competition
 - Best Respondent Brief
 - Best Preliminary Round Team
 - Center for Academic Success and Enrichment, Mentor
 - Teaching Assistant, Lawyering Process II
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas (B.A., Political Science)
 - Dean's Honor List
 - UNLV Debate Team

Professional Memberships & Activities

- Nevada State Bar, LGBT Section (2020–present)
- American Inns of Court, Howard D. McKibben Chapter

Representative Presentations & Publications

- ["A New Outlier Expands Manufacturers' Ability to Litigate Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act Cases in Federal Court,"](#) Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (July 12, 2022)
- "Nevada Legislature Provides Flexibility for Complex Construction Projects," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Under Construction Newsletter (July 2019)
- "Unshackled: The Post-*Sanchez-Gomez* Scrutiny and Security Conundrum," Note, Nevada Law Journal, Vol. 20, Issue 1 (2019)
- "Moot Court: Mobile or Not?" Co-Presenter, Global Gaming Expo, Las Vegas, Nevada (October 14, 2019)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Snell & Wilmer Pro Bono Award (2024)
- Mountain States Super Lawyers[®], Rising Stars Edition, Business Litigation (2023)
- Top Lawyers; Community Choice Up-and-Coming Category, Vegas Inc (2022)
- Top Rank Attorneys, Nevada Business Magazine (2022-2023)
 - Best Up and Coming Attorneys (2022-2023)

Community Involvement

- AFAN (Aid for Aids of Nevada), Board of Directors
- Southern Nevada Senior Law Program, Volunteer Attorney

Previous Professional Experience

- United States District Court, District of Nevada, Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Jennifer A. Dorsey (2020–2021)
- Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic, Investor Protection Clinic, Student Attorney (2019)
- Snell & Wilmer, Summer Associate (2019)
- Nevada Supreme Court, Judicial Extern to the Honorable Kristina Pickering (2019)
- William S. Boyd School of Law, Community Service Program, Paternity & Custody Course Instructor (2018)
- United States District Court, District of Nevada, Judicial Extern to the Honorable Cam Ferenbach (2018)

Bar Admissions

- Nevada

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Nevada
- United States District Court, District of Nevada