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Gena Sluga is a Shareholder with Christian Dichter & Sluga P.C. and its Nevada affiliate, Christian Kravitz, Dichter, Johnson & Sluga PLLC. She is licensed to practice in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, and Texas and maintains an active practice in Phoenix and Las Vegas. Gena's practice emphasizes insurance coverage analysis.

Gena is a graduate of University of California, Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law. She maintains a Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent rating, is a *Best Lawyers* and Super Lawyers honoree, and was recognized by Super Lawyers in 2023 as one of the 25 Top Women Lawyers in Arizona. She is a member of the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel (FDCC), chairs the Insurance Coverage Training Academy Committee and serves as Vice-Chair of the Diversity Committee.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Insurance Coverage
- Insurance Bad Faith Defense
- Professional Liability Defense

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Arizona, 1997
- U.S. District Court, Arizona
- Nevada, 2006
- U.S. District Court, Nevada
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, 2006
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit, 2017
- Texas, 2012
- New Mexico, 2015
- U.S. District Court, New Mexico

HONORS & AWARDS

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Insurance Law, Litigation-Insurance, Commercial Litigation, 2019-present
- Chambers USA, Band 1 Insurance, 2019-present

- Super Lawyers, 2012-present
- AV-Preeminent® Peer Review Rating™ by Martindale-Hubbell®
- "Top 100 Arizona Lawyers," AzBusiness Magazine, 2015, 2021
- "Top 25 Women Attorneys in Arizona," Southwest Super Lawyers, 2013, 2020, 2023
- AzBusiness Leaders (Law-Insurance), AzBusiness Magazine, 2018, 2019
- Barrett Honors College 2018-2019 Distinguished Alumna
- Top Ten Lawyers in Arizona Employee Benefits and Insurance Law, AzBusiness Magazine
- "Fifty Most Influential Women in Arizona Business," AzBusiness Magazine, 2014

EDUCATION

- U.C. Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law, J.D. 1997
- Arizona State University, B.A., summa cum laude, History and Honors College, 1994
 - National Merit Scholar
 - o Phi Beta Kappa
 - o Truman Scholar

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Member, New Mexico Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure
- American Bar Association, Fellow: Tort and Insurance Practice Section
 - o Robert B. McKay Law Professor Awards Standing Committee, 2020-2021
- Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel:
 - o Diversity Committee, Vice-Chair 2022-2023
 - o Insurance Coverage Training Academy, Chair, 2022-2023
- Defense Research Institute, 2022
- National Association of Minority & Women Owned Law Firms: Law Firm Member, 2015-present.
- Professional Liability Underwriters Society: Member, 2013-present
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Instructor, State Bar of Arizona Insurance Law Institute, January 2014

PUBLIC ARTICLES / LECTURES

- "The Cyber Battleground: The Latest Developments", Speaker, DRI's Insurance Coverage and Claims Institute, March, 2022.
- "Specialized Settlements in the Context of Insurance & Policy Demands on the Eve of Trial", Moderator, ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2022.
- FDCC "Living in a Pandemic;" "Caring for Aging Parents" chapter author, 2021.
- "Insurers' Occasional Duty to Defend Offensively," Virtual Conference of the ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, March 2021.
- "COVID-19 Claim: Step Aside Reptile, It's the Virus's Turn," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Virtual Insurance Industry Institute, November 2020.
- Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Insurance Coverage Training Academy: CGL Bootcamp, Scottsdale, AZ, March 2020

- "Recent Critical Coverage Decision/Hindsight in 2020: Looking Back at Key Insurance Developments and How They Impact Policyholders and Insurers," Mid-Year Conference of the ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2020.
- "Halting Efforts to Erode the Corporate Attorney-Client Privilege," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Insurance Industry Institute, New York, November 2019
- "Litigation: How to Use Technology to Protect the Company, Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Corporate Counsel Symposium, Philadelphia, PA, September 2019
- "The Great Data Privacy Debate of Our Time: To Be Forgotten or Not To Be Forgotten" Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Insurance Industry Institute, Annual Meeting, Sun Valley, Idaho, July 2019
- "Recent Developments in Rescission and Misrepresentation," Mid-Year Meeting of the ABA's Tort Trial and Insurance Section, Insurance Coverage Litigation Committee, February 2017
- "Mentors and Champions: The Power of Positive Connections," Arizona Women Lawyers Association Annual Convention, October 27, 2017
- "Masters in Marketing," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel; Winter Meeting, Amelia island, Florida, February 2017
- "Defense of the Emerging Claim of Aiding and Abetting Bad Faith," The Brief American Bar Association's Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section (TIPS), October 28, 2016
- "Cyber Security Liability for Lawyers," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Webinar, April 2016
- "Cyber Risk and Data Breach Exposures," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel Insurance Industry Institute, New York, October 2015
- "Aiding and Abetting Claims Against Insurance Attorneys and Other Professionals," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Winter Meeting in Amelia Island, Florida, March 2015
- "Insurance Coverage for Construction Defects in Arizona," State Bar of Arizona Insurance Law Institute, 2014
- "Claims Handling Resource for Arizona" (co-author), Claims & Litigation Management Alliance, 2013
- "Insurance Coverage Basics for Arizona Defense Attorneys," Arizona Association of Defense Counsel, Phoenix, Arizona, February 2013
- "What Happens in Vegas Doesn't Always Stay in Vegas" Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Annual Meeting, Whistler, British Columbia, July 2012
- "Reservations of Rights and the Insured's Right to Personal Counsel," Council on Litigation Management, Dallas, Texas, June 2012
- "Real-Life Resolution Strategies of Bad Faith Claims," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, March 2011
- "Arizona Insurance Law," State Bar of Arizona Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, January 2011
- "Bad Faith Insurance Claims in Arizona," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, April 2009

- "Bad Faith Insurance Claims in Arizona," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, April 2008
- "Insurance Coverage Litigation," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, September 2007
- "Bad Faith Insurance Claims in Arizona," National Business Institute Seminar, Phoenix, Arizona, April 2007