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### **John A Kesler III**

John is a third generation attorney. Like his father and grandfather, John's passion is trial practice. John knows the key to being a successful lawyer is meticulous preparation at all stages of litigation. Satisfactory settlements often result from good preparation before parties reach the courtroom for trial.

John applies the same focus and intensity to all of his cases whether the case is a wrongful death jury trial or a relatively simple transactional matter. "The most important case to each of my clients is their own case," John says. "I cannot promise what the outcome of any given matter will be, but I can promise to give my all in advocating for every client." One other cornerstone of John's philosophy to being an attorney is communication. John ensures his clients are well informed of the laws and legal processes applicable to their cases. Also, "attorneys need to listen more," according to John. John listens to his clients to understand their needs.

John has represented individuals and businesses in a variety of matters in his legal career and has achieved successful results in jury trials, arbitrations, mediations, and on motions. John is licensed to practice law in Washington and Oregon state courts, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

John resides in Tumwater with his wife and their son. John enjoys playing golf, softball, and basketball. John and his family are members of The Olympia Country & Golf Club, members of Tumwater Valley Athletic Club, and season ticket holders for University of Washington football.

#### **Education**

Arizona State University, J.D.

Indiana University, B.S., honors in Business, double major in Accounting & Finance/Real Estate

#### **Community Involvement**

Member, West Olympia Rotary

Member, Thurston County Bar Association



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## **Areas of Practice**

### **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

- Arbitration (binding or non-binding)
- Mediation

### **Business**

- Formation
- Litigation

### **Debtor-Creditor**

### **General Litigation**

- Construction Defect
- Employment Disputes
- Insurance Defense

### **Personal Injury**

- Auto Accidents
- Premises Liability
- Product Defect causing injury
- Professional Negligence (e.g. medical malpractice)
- Work Place Accidents and Injuries
- Wrongful Death

### **Probate**

- Administration
- Litigation

### **Real Estate**

- Boundary Line Disputes
- Foreclosures
- Land Use
- Litigation
- Purchase and Sale



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