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Well-behaved women seldom make history.

-Laurel Thatcher Ulrich

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Shannon Cohan is based in our Phoenix office where her broad range of work for our business litigation practice involves representing clients in numerous sectors, including sole proprietorships, Fortune 500 companies, gaming clients, homebuilders, healthcare providers, and manufacturing companies. She also works on mediations and arbitrations, as well as appeals in front of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Although she had always thought about becoming a lawyer, Shannon was initially on track to become a successful filmmaker, until an “Ethics in Film” class reignited her passion for the law— leading her to earn her J.D. from USC’s Gould School of Law. Her client-first approach means

that she becomes a trusted advocate for the businesses she works with, and she truly believes that it’s the exceptional people here at Fennemore that sets us apart from the competition.

Newly married with three dogs and a cat, Shannon’s house is full of lots of laughter and energy. As a serious athlete, she has completed three full marathons and four half-marathons—and she’s training for her next race now. Speaking of which, she gives back to the community as a volunteer coach for *Girls on the Run*, an organization that impacts the lives of many girls, instilling joy, health, and confidence by creatively integrating a personal-development curriculum into training to run a 5K. As a member of the sub-board committee Pace Team, Shannon feels that she gets back more than she gives to many of the girls who come from disadvantaged backgrounds where the chance to run provides meaning and hope.

# EDUCATION

J.D., University of Southern California, Gould School of Law

B.A., Arizona State University, *magna cum laude*

Paralegal Studies Certificate, Rio Salado College

# AREAS OF PRACTICE

**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

Litigation

Business Litigation

# AWARDS AND HONORS

*Best Lawyers in America*®, Ones to Watch – Appellate Practice, Commercial Litigation, Litigation-Real Estate, 2022-2025

50 Rising Stars in Law, *AZ Business Magazine*, 2025

*Southwest Rising Stars®,* Business Litigation, 2022-2024

# PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Volunteer Coach, Girls on the Run Member, Pace Team, Girls on the Run

Alternate Delegate, Phoenix Panhellenic Association Member, Gamma Phi Beta-Phoenix Alumnae Chapter Member, State Bar of Arizona

# ADMISSIONS

Arizona

U.S. District Court, District of Arizona

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit