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The optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.
Winston Churchill



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Spencer Shockness is an associate in our Business Litigation practice group who works out of our Phoenix office. His practice focuses on a broad range of litigation matters – guiding clients through mediation and advantageous settlements, as well as taking matters to trial when necessary. Spencer also takes a great interest in various product liability topics.

Prior to joining the firm, Spencer was a summer associate at Fennemore, and he's passionate about resolving complex issues by creating positive solutions. Originally, Spencer studied business management as an undergrad, but a "Business Law and Ethics" course first exposed him to the legal world through a case study on the infamous Ford Pinto. Studying that case inspired Spencer to want to find positive solutions to challenging and sometimes tragic issues. This turned into a love for products liability and the law generally. His subsequent time spent as a member of Arizona State University's debate team laid the foundation for his love for advocacy and solidified that becoming a litigator would be the path for him. In law school, his service on the *Arizona State Law Journal* culminated with a publication of his work regarding Amazon's liability under Arizona law for defective products sold on its website.

Outside of the office on fall weekends, you'll find Spencer officiating college football for the NAIA and NCAA, as well as high school football for the Arizona Interscholastic Association. Prior to law school, he also obtained his real estate license and worked in property management. And when Spencer really needs to unwind and put his brain in a different place, he's quite the board game enthusiast.

EDUCATION

- J.D., *Magna Cum Laude*, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law
 - Fennemore Diversity Scholar
- B.A., *Summa Cum Laude*, W.P. Carey School of Business, Arizona State University; Barrett the Honors College, Arizona State University

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Business Litigation

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2023 Dean's Award for outstanding performance at ASU Law

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

- "Prime & Punishment: Evaluating Amazon's Liability for Defective Products from A-to-Z in AZ"; Arizona State Law Journal, Volume 55, Issue 1

ADMISSIONS

- Arizona
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona