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#### **EDUCATION**

J.D. 1986 Mitchell Hamline University School of Law St Paul, MN

B.S. 1983 with honors University of Alaska Fairbanks, AK

## STATE BAR AND COURT **ADMISSIONS**

State of Alaska

U.S. District Court, **District of Alaska** 

U.S. Court of Appeals, **Ninth Circuit** 

# Michelle Boutin

#### **PARTNER**

# About

Michelle has been practicing law in Alaska since 1986 and focuses on secured transactions and lender rights including workout agreements, commercial litigation, and creditor representation in bankruptcy cases. Before entering private practice, she clerked for U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Herbert A. Ross from 1986-1988 and was a staff attorney, then managing attorney for FDIC legal department in Anchorage from 1989-1993.

Michelle has represented lenders and secured creditors in some of Alaska's largest bankruptcy cases. She represented creditors in Alaska's first "mega" Chapter 11 bankruptcy case, actively defending preference claims and other complex issues.

She is a valued member of the local legal community through her 38 years with the Alaska Bar Association and served for many years as chair of the Bankruptcy Section of the Alaska Bar. She also served as an Attorney Representative to the 9th Circuit Judicial Conference. Michelle has been recognized for excellent work by Best Lawyers in America since 2007, Super Lawyers since 2016, and by receiving the Alaska Bar Association Professionalism Award in 2014.

# Experience

# **PARTNER**

January 2020 – Present | Landye Bennett Blumstein LLP

## **ASSOCIATE**

December 2017 – December 2019 | Landye Bennett Blumstein LLP

#### **PREVIOUS**

RCO Legal - Alaska, Inc., (2013-2017); Jermain, Dunnagan & Owens, P.C. (2005-2013); Christianson, Boutin & Spraker, P.C., (2002-2005); Bundy & Christianson (1993-2002); Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Alaska, (1989-1993); Law office of Dianne Vallentine (1988-1989); Law Clerk to the Hon. Herbert A. Ross, Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Alaska, Law Clerk (1986-1988)