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LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Montgomery Purdue PLLC

Seattle, Washington
Attorney since 2015

TOP RATED BUSINESS & CORPORATE ATTORNEY AND RISING STAR
2021-2024 – SUPER LAWYERS

PRACTICE AREAS

Creditor-Debtor and
Bankruptcy

Dispute Resolution and
Litigation

Insurance Coverage and
Recovery

Real Estate and Leasing

Trust and Estate
Litigation

Chris Reed is a commercial and general civil litigator with experience in both state and federal trial and appellate courts. As a general civil litigator, Mr. Reed represents clients in a wide range of real estate, trust and estate, construction, business, and insurance coverage litigation. His practice emphasizes 'big picture' strategic considerations to achieve the best result for the client, whether that is a negotiated settlement, resolution through dispositive motions, or taking a matter to trial.

A significant portion of Mr. Reed's practice involves property owner and landlord-tenant disputes, including evictions, easement, and private takings litigation. For trust and estate matters, Mr. Reed is experienced in a wide variety of issues, including breach of fiduciary duty claims, misappropriation, will interpretation, and challenges to the validity of documents granting agent authority (such as power-of-attorney). He also represents professional fiduciaries on annual/periodic reporting requirements for court supervised trusts and guardianships. For his construction and business clients, Mr. Reed has a full-service litigation practice with experience representing contractors and businesses in nearly all types of litigation, including breach of contract, trade secret misappropriation, and employee disputes.

Mr. Reed's practice is also increasingly focused on individual and business policyholder insurance coverage issues. On behalf of individual policyholders, Mr. Reed has substantial experience obtaining coverage for individual insured's seeking benefits under life, long term care (LTC), and disability insurance policies. With

respect to business policyholders, Mr. Reed addresses a wide variety of coverage issues, including those arising under general liability, excess/umbrella, directors and officers (D&O), employment practices liability (EPL), pollution, and other related coverage. Mr. Reed has learned that effective coverage counsel can be absolutely critical to not only convincing a carrier to accept an insured's tender of defense and indemnity, but also ensuring his clients' best interests remain protected throughout pending litigation.

Mr. Reed also represents individual physicians, nurses, and health care providers with licensing issues and complaints being investigated by the Medical Quality Assurance Commission and the Department of Health.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW – SEATTLE, WA
JURIS DOCTOR, 2015
WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL, EDITORIAL BOARD

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY – PULLMAN, WA
BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAGNA CUM LAUDE, 2012

ADMISSION AND MEMBERSHIP

Member – **Washington State Bar Association**
Member – **King County Bar Association**