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PRACTICE AREAS

- Bad Faith and Extra-Contractual Liability
- Builder's Risk
- General Liability Coverage and Defense
- Insurance
- Pandemic Claims and Litigation
- Property Insurance

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- State Court: New York, Connecticut
- U.S. District Court: District of Connecticut

EDUCATION

- Quinnipiac University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2023
- Roger Williams University, B.A., International Relations and Affairs, Economics, *magna cum laude*, 2020

Shelby is an associate attorney in Zelles New York office. She is licensed to practice in the State of New York and Connecticut, where she represents global insurance companies on a wide range of insurance-related matters, with an emphasis on first-party coverage disputes. Her practice focuses on all stages of litigation including pre-suit investigation, evaluation, motion practice, and discovery and providing thorough analysis on a variety of complex coverage issues across numerous jurisdictions. She has experience in analyzing and advising clients on breach of contract claims and common law and statutory bad faith.

Prior to joining Zelle, Shelby spent time working for a boutique plaintiffs coverage firm where she focused her practice on coverage issues at a national level. Shelby also had the privilege of serving as a judicial extern for the Honorable Stefan R. Underhill of the United States District Court for the District Court of Connecticut.

Shelby received her juris doctorate from Quinnipiac University School of Law in 2023, where she graduated *magna cum laude*. She served as the Supervising Editor for the Quinnipiac Probate Law Journal, Vice President of External Competitions & Financial Director for Quinnipiacs Moot Court Society, and had her Note, *A Digital Market Emerges: An Analysis of the Difficulties Investors of Cryptocurrency Face in and Beyond the Probate Context*, published in the Quinnipiac Probate Law Journal.

ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

The Aftermath of Covid-19 New Yorks Expansion of Business Interruption Coverage *The Zelle Lonestar Lowdown*, February 19, 2025, author

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Connecticut Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section

New York Bar Association

Defense Research Institute (DRI), Young Lawyers Section, Vice Chair of Publications for "The Voice", 2025-2026



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Named a "Rising Star" by New York-Metro Super Lawyers, 2025