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Areas of Practice & Industry Specialties

Litigation; Professional Responsibility

Amber Bevacqua-Lynott is Senior Counsel in the Firm's Portland and San Diego offices, and a member of the Firm's Professional Responsibility and Litigation Practice Groups.

Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott provides guidance and legal representation to attorneys, licensed professionals, and other business clients, including firms and in-house legal departments. Her practice centers on legal ethics, risk management, and discipline defense. She acts as outside counsel to clients in a variety of industries, providing advice and counsel on all manner of ethics issues, including conflicts, confidentiality, malpractice, risk management, and fee issues.

In addition, Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott represents lawyers, students, and other professionals in front of regulatory authorities and bar associations on licensing, admissions, reinstatement, reciprocity, character and fitness, consumer protection, unauthorized practice of law, and disciplinary matters.

Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott has more than 20 years of legal experience, including extensive civil trial experience. Prior to joining Buchalter, Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott worked in the Oregon State Bar's Disciplinary Counsel's Office (DCO) as an Assistant Disciplinary Counsel, where she enforced the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct through the investigation and prosecution of alleged misconduct. During her time in DCO, Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott successfully first-chaired several dozen civil trials, and investigated or prosecuted hundreds of disciplinary matters. The last six years of her tenure with DCO, she was the Chief Assistant Disciplinary Counsel and Deputy Director of Regulatory Services, and also acted as Chief Trial Counsel.

Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott's prior experience as a Bar prosecutor, offers her clients a unique insight and expertise on ethics issues and professional obligations.

Intimately versed in legal ethics, Ms. Bevacqua-Lynott developed, updated, and presented Legal Ethics Best Practices, a semi-annual "ethics school" for attorneys. She also prepared and edited the annual annotations of all Bar formal proceeding dispositions, requiring that she be expertly familiar with each stipulated and adjudicated case result.

She regularly presents seminars on ethics issues, both locally and nationally, and frequently provides ethics advice to attorneys. Ms. Bevacqua has been named one of *The Best Lawyers in America*, for Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law in 2024-2025.

Publications

- A Multistate Dilemma: The Ethics of Law Practice Across State Lines, *Oregon Business Lawyer*,

December 17, 2023

- A Call for a Professionalism Statement that Includes the Proper Use of Technology, *Multnomah Bar Association Multnomah Lawyer*, September 5, 2023
- Ethical Considerations When Working with Consultants, *The Foundation Journal for Natural Resources and Energy Law*, July 17, 2023
- Ethical Traps in M & A Transactions, *OSB Business Lawyer*, September 11, 2022
- The CC Dilemma, *OSB Family Law Newsletter*, August 17, 2022
- That's Not True! Considering Whether to Respond to a Negative Social Media Post, *OSB Business Lawyer*, March 10, 2022
- Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct Annotated, 2016 ed., 2017, 2018 supps.
- Oregon State Bar Disciplinary Procedures, *The Ethical Oregon Lawyer*, 2015 rev.
- Legal Ethics Best Practices Compendium, 2011-2019 ed.

Presentations

- Speaker , "2024 Ethical Survival Guide," National Business Institute , December 4, 2023
- Co-Presenters, "Ethical Quandaries in Business Law: Minding the Changing Legal Landscape," Business Law Section Annual Meeting, November 10, 2023
- Co-Presenters , "Buchalter: Spooktober Ethics," Buchalter , October 24, 2023
- Presenter , "Avoiding a Yellow Card or Red Card: Ethics and the RPC," Oregon State Bar Elder Law Section , October 6, 2023
- Co-Presenter , "Legal Tech Ethics," California Lawyers Association , August 22, 2023
- Co-Presenter , "Personal Injury Cases: Malpractice Traps and Ethical Concerns for Lawyers.," Oregon State Bar Center , June 30, 2023
- Co-Presenter , "It Pays to be Reasonable.," National Association of Legal Fee Analysis, May 25, 2023
- Co-Presenter , "Insurance and Ethical Considerations Surrounding Cyber Security," Brown & Brown Insurance , May 19, 2023
- Co-Presenter , "Insurance and Ethical Considerations Surrounding Cyber Security," Orange County Bar Insurance Section, May 17, 2023
- Speaker , "Now in the News: Current issues in ethics & considerations for your practice," Boise Matthew Donegan & Black Helterline, March 20, 2023
- Speaker , "Now in the News: Current issues in ethics & their considerations for your practice," Mark C. Cogan, P.C., March 16, 2023
- Presenter , "Ethical Considerations in Technology, Marketing & Responding to Complaints," National Business Institute , December 27, 2022
- Speaker , "Thankful that Wasn't Me: Ethics Lessons for Those Less-Fortunate," Oregon State Bar Estate Planning & Administration Section, November 18, 2022
- Presenter , "Lawyer's ethical duties: ABA Formal Opinion 493," MyLawCLE: , November 11, 2022
- Presenter , "Ethics in the Age of Social Media: the Does and Don'ts in and out of Client Disputes," Oregon State Bar Business Law Section , November 3, 2022
- Presenter , "Foundation for Natural Resources & Energy Law: Working with Consultants," October 28, 2022
- Co-Presenter , "Young Lawyers Division: Ethical Issues for New Practitioners.," American Bar Association , October 6, 2022

- Presenter , "Buchalter: Spooktober Ethics," Buchalter, September 27, 2022
- Presenter , "Impermissible Client Solicitation by Third Parties," Strafford, August 22, 2022
- Presenter , "OSB Real Estate & Land Use Section: Working from Home? Trending Ethical Issues for Virtual and Remote Practitioners," August 12, 2022
- Presenter , "Trending Ethical Issues for Virtual (and Remote) Practitioners: Where You Can Practice & What You Should Consider," Georgetown University Law Center, July 19, 2022
- Presenter , "Trending Ethical Issues for Virtual (and Remote) Practitioners," American Intellectual Property Law Association , May 19, 2022
- Presenter , "Now in the News: Current issues in ethics & their considerations for your practice," Parsons Farnell & Grein, February 17, 2022
- Presenter , "Trending Issues for In-House Counsel," January 1, 2022
- Presenter , "Strafford: Ethical Risks of Attorney Social Media Activity: Navigating the Dangers of LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook & Blogs," Strafford , October 6, 2021
- Speaker, "Primer on the Ethics Rules Governing Lawyers," Oregon State House Committee on Modernizing the People's Legislature, May 19, 2021
- Speaker, "LPX: Know and Understand Your Ethical and Legal Obligations to Comply with State Bar Rules," Intel Corporation, January 8, 2021
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 15, 2019
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar, May 3, 2019
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 16, 2018
- Speaker, "The Adjudicator's Perspective—Part 2: Adjudicator's Preparation and Managing Vexatious Litigants," National Organization of Bar Counsel (NOBC), Annual Meeting (Chicago), August 4, 2018
- Speaker, "Aging Lawyers: Strategies for Dealing with the Attorney Suspected of Cognitive Impairment," American Bar Association Center for Professional Responsibility , July 26, 2018
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar, May 3, 2018
- Speaker, "Personal vs. Professional Misconduct under MRPC 8.4," NOBC, Mid-Year Meeting (Vancouver, BC) , February 3, 2018
- Speaker, "Issues When Your Client is Facing Disbarment," Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers (APRL), Mid-Year Meeting (Vancouver, BC) , February 2, 2018
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 2, 2017
- Speaker, "An Overview of the Oregon Disciplinary System & Common Pitfalls," Southern Oregon Inns of Court, September 21, 2017
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar, May 5, 2017
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar, May 6, 2016
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 20, 2015
- Speaker, "Ethical Challenges & Considerations for CD Practitioners," OADC Annual Convention, June 20, 2015
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar, May 8, 2015
- Speaker, "Sanctions in Attorney Disciplinary Cases," Oregon State Bar Disciplinary Board Conference, April 3, 2015

- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office , November 21, 2014
- Speaker, "Understanding the Attorney Discipline Process," Oregon State Bar Local & County Bar Associations , September 17, 2014
- Speaker, "Volunteers in the Discipline System, Necessity or Nuisance? ," NOBC, Annual Meeting 2014, August 8, 2014
- Speaker, "Intersection of Attorney Discipline & Criminal Prosecutions of Lawyers," Multnomah County District Attorney's Office , May 27, 2014
- Speaker, "Ethics & Technology," Oregon State Bar Local Bar Association , April 16, 2014
- Speaker, "Dealing with Pro Se Parties: Ethical Issues & Practical Considerations," Multnomah Bar Association, February 18, 2014
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 1, 2013
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar , May 1, 2013
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office, November 1, 2012
- Speaker, "Advising Nonprofit Organizations," OSB Nonprofit Organizations Law Section , September 28, 2012
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar , May 4, 2012
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics Best Practices," Oregon State Bar Bar-Disciplinary Counsel's Office , November 18, 2011
- Speaker, "Practicing Law in Oregon," Oregon State Bar , January 1, 2010
- Speaker, "The Disciplinary Process," Oregon State Bar , February 1, 2009
- Speaker, "Ethical Morning at the Movies," Oregon State Bar , January 1, 2009
- Speaker, "Ethics in 18 Holes," Oregon State Bar, June 6, 2008
- Speaker, "Ethics in 18 Holes," Oregon State Bar, June 22, 2007
- Speaker, "Discipline for District Attorneys," Oregon District Attorneys' Association , December 7, 2006
- Speaker, "Ethics in 18 Holes," Oregon State Bar, June 23, 2006
- Speaker, "Ethics in 18 Holes," Oregon State Bar, July 14, 2005
- Speaker, "Ethics Elements," Oregon State Bar , December 2, 2004
- Speaker, "Current Issues in Legal Ethics: Do You Know the Rules," Lewis & Clark, Oregon Law Institute 16th Annual Ethics Update, November 7, 2003
- Speaker, "Ethics in 18 Holes," Oregon State Bar , April 11, 2003
- Speaker, "Legal Ethics for Legal Assistants ," September 27, 2002
- Speaker, "Attorney Discipline in Oregon," Oregon State Bar , September 13, 2002
- Speaker, "Fundamentals of Business Law," Oregon State Bar, September 1, 2001
- Speaker, "Negotiation Ethics," Oregon State Bar, May 1, 2001

Webinars

- "Buchalter Webinar: Ethics in the News," January 31, 2024

Education

Ms. Lynott earned her J.D. from Pepperdine University School of Law and earned her B.A. from University

of Redlands.

Bar Admissions

- Oregon
- California
- Florida
- Washington

Community

- Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers (APRL) Member (2021-present)
- Multnomah Bar Association
 - Professionalism Committee Member (2022-present)
 - Volunteer Lawyer Project Golf Committee Member (2016-2018)
- Civics Learning Project Board Member (formerly, Classroom Law Project) (2023-present)
 - Resource Development Committee Member
 - Legal Citizen of the Year Committee Member
- ABA Center for Professional Responsibility Member
 - CLE Committee Member (2017-2019)
- National Organization of Bar Counsel (NOBC) Member/Presenter (2013-2019)
 - Policy Advisory Committee Member (2016-2019)
 - Social Media Use Committee Chair (2017)
- Oregon State Bar Discipline System Review Committee Member
- State Professional Responsibility Board OSB Staff Liaison (2014-2019)
- Unlawful Practice of Law Committee OSB Staff Liaison (2001-2003)