

PETER E. MEYERS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Swanson Gardner Meyers, PLLC Renton, Washington, January 2010 – Present
Partner.

Associated with Swanson Gardner since 2008 and has worked full time as a trial attorney with the firm since January of 2010. Partner since 2015. Drawing upon 20 years of broad litigation experience, civil jury trial practice focuses exclusively on the representation of plaintiffs in serious personal injury, wrongful death and medical negligence cases.

Durham Meyers Jeffers, PLLC, Seattle, Washington, November 2007 – January 2010
Partner.

Continued general litigation practice and representation of plaintiffs in litigation involving personal injury, premises liability, products liability, toxic tort, real estate, insurance coverage, family law, employment law, appeals and criminal defense. Voted a “Super Lawyer” again in 2008 and 2009 in *Washington Law and Politics*.

Durham & Meyers, PLLC, Seattle, Washington, July 2005 – November 2007
Partner.

General litigation and trial practice representing and counseling clients on a broad range of legal issues. Representation of plaintiffs and defendants in litigation involving personal injury, premises liability, products liability, toxic tort, real estate, insurance coverage, family law, employment law, appeals and criminal defense. Voted a “Rising Star” for a second time in 2006 and a “Super Lawyer” in 2007 in *Washington Law and Politics*. Part-time lecturer for the Trial Advocacy program at the University of Washington School of Law.

Cozen O’Connor, Seattle, Washington, April 2000 – April 2005
Junior Member, Products Liability and Complex Tort Practice Group.

Represented individuals, businesses and insurance companies in the defense of civil lawsuits. Solely responsible for the evaluation, discovery and pretrial strategy in over 200 cases, including several tried to jury verdict in King County Superior Court. Representative cases involved toxic exposure, construction defect, products liability, premises liability, timber trespass, insurance coverage, UIM/UM and other automobile-related claims. Voted a “Rising Star” in *Washington Law and Politics* in 2003.

King County Prosecutor's Office, Seattle, Washington, August 1994 – April 2000
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Criminal Division.

Trial Deputy – Sexually Violent Predator Unit, December 1999 – April 2000. Prosecuted civil commitment cases against repeat sex offenders under the Community Protection Act.

Trial Deputy - Felony Trial Teams, September 1998 – December 1999. Responsible for murder, felony assault, and felony property crime prosecutions.

Supervising Deputy - District Court Unit, November 1997 - September 1998. Trained and evaluated new trial deputies assigned to various divisions of the King County District Court.

Trial Deputy - Special Assault Unit, January 1997 - November 1997. Prosecuted dozens of felony domestic violence cases. Successfully briefed and argued the constitutionality of Washington's stalking statute in *State v. Lee & Yates* before the Washington Supreme Court.

Trial Deputy - Special Drug Unit, April 1996 - January 1997. Prosecuted felony narcotics cases in King County Superior Court.

Appellate Deputy - RALJ Unit, January 1995 - April 1996. Handled all criminal appeals from nine King County District Court divisions. Briefed and argued *State v. Bonifacio* and *State v. Crediford* in the Washington Supreme Court. Lectured at several CLE seminars across the state and served as a special deputy for Whatcom County and Okanogan County.

Trial Deputy - District Court Unit, August 1994 - January 1995.

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Pierce County Superior Court, Tacoma, Washington, September 1993 - August 1994
Judicial Assistant to the Honorable Frederick B. Hayes. Legal research and administrative responsibilities.

Trial Division, Oregon Department of Justice, Salem, Oregon, 1991-93
Legal Clerk. Served as legal clerk to the Chief Trial Counsel for the State of Oregon.

ASSOCIATIONS

Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) (admitted December 1993)

King County Bar Association (KCBA)

Washington State Association for Justice (WSAJ)

American Association for Justice (AAJ)

American Bar Association (ABA)

American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA)

EDUCATION

Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon, 1990-93

JD and Certificate of Dispute Resolution, May 1993

Willamette Law Review, 1991-93; Production Editor, 1992-93

Moot Court Board, 1991-93

Legal Essay Competition Winner, Oregon Bar Civil Rights Section, published July 1993

Gus J. Solomon Inn of Court, Associate Member, 1991-93

Honors - Legal Research and Writing, 1991

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 1984-89

BA, Political Science, March 1989

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Volunteer Coach for youth soccer and baseball in Seattle.