



## Shanti Eagle

Partner

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Shanti Eagle is a dedicated advocate of policyholders in complex insurance coverage disputes. She uses creative, strategic approaches to maximize her clients' recoveries.

Shanti represents large corporate clients, small businesses, and individuals pursuing coverage under a variety of insurance policies, including general liability (CGL), errors & omissions liability (E&O), directors & officers liability (D&O), employment practices liability (EPL), and commercial and first-party property insurance.

Shanti assists clients with the claims process, alongside their insurance brokers, and works closely with clients and defense counsel to provide guidance regarding litigation and settlement strategies. She has frequent success convincing carriers to provide a defense despite having previously denied coverage, and in obtaining favorable defense rates. In addition, Shanti has broad experience litigating breach of contract and bad faith claims, including through appeal, in both state and federal court. She has won motions for summary judgment on the duty to defend, as well as motions to stay insurer-initiated declaratory relief actions.

During law school, Shanti served as a judicial extern with the Honorable Susan Illston of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. She was a post-graduate fellow at the San Francisco Public Defender's office.

She is fluent in Spanish.

### Memberships and Affiliations

- Alumni Board, *Hastings Law Journal*
- Chair, Executive Committee Member, Insurance Practice Section, Bar Association of San Francisco
- Marin County Bar Association

## Experience

### Target Corporation v. Golden State, et al.

Successfully defended a favorable summary judgment ruling for both McKesson Corporation and its captive insurance company on appeal to the Second Appellate District. The lawsuit was filed against McKesson by Target seeking indemnity from McKesson and insurance coverage from McKesson's captive insurance company for costs that Target incurred to defend and settle an underlying product liability case.

### Claims Advocacy and Litigation Over Coverage for Talc Ovarian Cancer Claims

We are representing \$75B multinational mining company Rio Tinto in insurance coverage litigation in San Francisco Superior Court regarding coverage for the Johnson & Johnson Baby Powder Ovarian Cancer Litigation (Talc Ovarian Cancer Claims). The Talc Ovarian Cancer Claims involve approximately 14,000 personal injury claims filed across the country alleging that talc exposure caused the plaintiffs' ovarian

### Services

- Insurance Recovery
- Cannabis
- Consumer Products + Manufacturing
- Real Estate
- Healthcare

### Education

- University of California, Hastings College of the Law (J.D., 2009)
  - *cum laude*, Executive Production Editor of the Hastings Law Journal
- University of California, Santa Cruz (B.A., 2006)
  - Phi Beta Kappa, with Highest Honors

### Bar Admissions

- California

cancer. This litigation recently resulted in a \$4B verdict against J&J, as well as a number of other large verdicts. Our firm's work involves not only the coverage litigation, but advice to the client on numerous other insurance issues raised by the claims.

## Publications

September 1, 2021

### **How to Guard Against 3 Cannabis Cyber Attack Risks**

*mg Magazine*

June 1, 2021

### **Cyber Insurance for the Cannabis Industry**

*Cannabis Industry Education Series*

February 2, 2021

### **"Unfair Trade Practices" Exclusion Does Not Extend to Consumer Protection Claims**

November 18, 2019

### **INSIGHT: California Ruling in Wage-Hour Coverage Suit Offers Employers a Defense Hook**

*Bloomberg Law*

October 7, 2019

### **Reimbursement of Employment-Related Expenses Is Not a "Wage and Hour" Claim Within the Meaning of EPLI Exclusion**

May 15, 2019

### **Insurance for the Cannabis Industry Program Takeaways**

April 25, 2019

### **Damages for Permit Revocation Constitute Covered "Loss of Use"**

12/13/2018

### **Evicting Tenants Over "Illegal" Cannabis Operation Comes Back to Bite Landlords in Coverage**

11/6/2018

### **Doing Business With the Cannabis Industry? Make Sure Your Insurance Will Cover You**

4/30/2018

### **Insuring Cannabis: Not Business As Usual, Yet**

*North Bay Business Journal*

3/5/2018

### **High Court Poised to Decide Potential for Coverage of Negligent Supervision Claims**

## Outside the Office

Shanti enjoys spending time outdoors with her family, including hiking and paddle boarding. She is an avid reader, and dabbles in drawing, painting, and knitting.