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For more than 20 years, Jeff Matthews has worked with clients to resolve legal disputes in a variety of forums. Whether in a courtroom, in front of an arbitrator or mediator, before an administrative board, or at the bargaining table, Jeff advocates for his clients' interests effectively and efficiently.

More recently, Jeff is focused on assisting both public and private employers in resolving labor and employment related issues, in addition to representing clients with a variety of commercial and business related disputes. These business



disputes include shareholder, sale of business, commercial lease, real estate, and construction defect disputes, plus any variety of tort claims.

Jeff regularly appears in numerous state and federal courts, as well as before a variety of government or administrative agencies. His familiarity with Oregon federal court practices makes him an effective local counsel for out-of-state attorneys in federal court actions.

Jeff's sense of humor and quick wit make him a pleasure to work with and his intellect and preparation make him a worthy adversary. When not working on a grievance, ULP, arbitration, trial, or settlement on behalf of his clients, Jeff (a native Oregonian) enjoys hunting, hiking, and spending time with his extended family.

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Jeff is admitted to the Oregon, Washington, and Missouri state bars. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, and the Lane County Bar Association as well as the Oregon Association of Defense Counsel, the Roland K. Rodman American Inn of Court, and the Oregon City Attorneys Association.

Education <



Jeff graduated from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law in 1989, where he was a member of the Law Review. He then served a two-year judicial clerkship with the Hon. Scott O. Wright, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri before entering private practice.

Presentations

- "To Remove or Not to Remove: Considerations in the Decision to Remove a Case from State to Federal Court," Oregon City Attorney Association annual meeting (May 2008)
- "Discretionary Immunity Issues and Hammer vs. City of Eugene Update," Association of Oregon Counties Annual Conference (November 2005)

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