

# Snell & Wilmer

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## **Chariese R. Solorio**

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### **Main Bio**

Chariese Solorio focuses her practice in product liability litigation, defending motor vehicle manufacturers in complex negligence and product liability cases involving catastrophic personal injuries and wrongful death. She has litigated a wide array of disputes in both federal and state courts. Prior to joining Snell & Wilmer, Chariese represented California public entities in defending against a variety of allegations, including general torts, wrongful death, civil rights, and premises and personal injury liability.

### **Representative Experience**

- Defended large automobile manufacturer in toxic tort case
- Defend a seaport public entity in slip and fall personal injury claim
- Assist in the defense of a natural ingredient manufacturer in claims of deceptive labeling and fraud
- Defended water heater manufacturer against negligence and product liability claims
- Represent American multinational telecommunications company with nationwide litigation matters involving breach of contract for telecommunications services
- Defended the distributor of electric powered scooters against allegations of personal injury related to the design of the scooter
- Defended large automobile manufacturers in cases involving wrongful death claims involving allegations related to vehicle design
- Defended American multinational automaker against allegations of personal injury as a result of air bag deployment
- Defended American multinational automaker against allegations of personal injury and wrongful death related to vehicle rollovers
- Assisted in the defense of a manufacturer of motorcycles and other motorized vehicles and products against allegations of negligence and product liability related to injuries resulting from the rollover of an off-road vehicle
- Represented an assisted living facility in its defense of a class action involving allegations of fraud related to claims of insufficient staffing
- Represented individuals applying for a U nonimmigrant visa
- Represented individuals seeking Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ) classification and lawful permanent residency

## Education

- University of California, Irvine School of Law (J.D.)
  - Staff Editor, UC Irvine Law Review
  - Participant, Moot Court
  - Pro Bono Honors
  - Secretary/Treasurer, Criminal Law Society
  - Sponsorship Committee Member, Public Interest Law Fund
  - Latina/o Law Students Association
- University of California, Los Angeles (B.A., Political Science)
  - UCLA Bunche Scholar
  - College of Letters and Sciences Honors Program

## Professional Memberships & Activities

- American Bar Association
- Hispanic Bar Association of Orange County (2014-Present)
  - Board of Directors (2019-2022)
- Orange County Bar Association
- Snell & Wilmer Community Involvement Committee

## Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Section 998's Cost-Shifting Provisions May Apply When Case Ends in Settlement](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 27, 2023)
- "[Component-Part Manufacturers Are Not Required to Indemnify Retail Sellers Under California's Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act Unless Express Warranty Is Provided](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 25, 2023)
- "[Purchasers of Vehicles from Private Party Sellers Have No Standing Under the Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 24, 2023)
- "[California Supreme Court Clarifies Possible Lemon Law Damages](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 19, 2023)
- "[California Supreme Court Limits Consumer Lemon Law Protection to Vehicles Purchased in California](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update Blog (July 17, 2023)
- "[A Deeper Dive into FDA Draft Guidance on the Remanufacturing of Medical Devices](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update (March 4, 2022)
- "[Increasing U.S. Software Developers' Global Competitive Advantage: Bureau of Industry and Security Eases Export Administration Regulations for Certain Encryption Items](#)," Co-Author, Snell & Wilmer Legal Alert (April 7, 2021)
- "[United States Supreme Court Tackles Personal Jurisdiction](#)," Author, Snell & Wilmer Product Liability Update (December 7, 2020)
- "[Clarifying the Difference Between Medical Device Servicing and Remanufacturing](#)," Co-Presenter, DRI Webinar (July 31, 2020)

## Professional Recognition & Awards

- [Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Star, Personal Injury – Products: Defense](#) (2023, 2024)
- [Southern California Super Lawyers, Rising Star, Product Liability](#) (2022)
- [2021 Top Young Diverse Lawyers of OC](#), Orange County Coalition for Diversity in the Law (2021)

## **Community Involvement**

- Public Law Center, Pro Bono Attorney (2019-Present)
- Orange County Coalition for Diversity in the Law (2019-Present)
  - Mentorship Program, Law School Mentor (2020-Present)
- Project Youth OCBF, Associate Board Member (2019-Present)
  - Secretary (2021)
  - Treasurer (2020)
- Higher Education Mentoring Program, High School Student Mentor (2019-Present)
- UCI Law Pro Bono Program
  - U-Visa Project Volunteer (2019-Present)
- Constitutional Rights Foundation-Orange County
  - Mock Trial Judge (2020)
  - Career Forum Speaker (2019)
- Kids in Need of Defense, Pro Bono Attorney (2017-Present)
- OC Head Start, Board Member (2021-Present)

## **Previous Professional Experience**

- Lynberg & Watkins, Associate (2015-2018)
- Orange County District Attorney (2014)
- California Court of Appeal, Judicial Extern to Justice Richard Aronson (2013)
- Arent Fox LLP, Compliance Clerk (2010-2012)
- Venable LLP, Compliance Clerk (2008-2010)

## **Bar Admissions**

- California

## **Court Admissions**

- Supreme Court of California
- United States District Court, Central District of California
- United States District Court, Eastern District of California