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Practice Areas:

- Administrative Law and Government Relations
- Business Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Franchise Litigation
- Franchising & Distribution
- Insurance and Surety Coverage Litigation
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Intellectual Property & Technology

Practice Emphasis

Teri's litigation practice focuses on complex commercial disputes, franchising, intellectual property, professional negligence claims, and construction litigation. Her franchise practice includes representing clients in both litigation and transactional matters. Teri has represented franchisors and franchisees in litigation with respect to a host of franchise relationship, intellectual property, and compliance issues. She has achieved a variety of positive results for her clients including the recovery of damages, termination of franchise relationships (and on the flip-side, preservation of franchise relationships), enforcement of non-competition and other post-termination

covenants, and the winding down of hold-over franchisees. Teri concentrates her transactional franchise practice on franchise development matters, the establishment of new franchise systems, and franchise law compliance. Teri also heads Cline Williams' trademark and copyright registration team. From clearance to registration to maintenance and enforcement, Teri and her team shepherd your business's hard-earned reputational rights through the USPTO and beyond.

Admitted to Practice:

Nebraska

Iowa

United States District Court for the District of Nebraska

United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Education:

Creighton University, J.D., summa cum laude, 2002

University of Nebraska-Omaha, B.S., magna cum laude, 1998

Other Experience/Achievements:

- Listed: *Best Lawyers in America*® (Commercial Litigation, Franchise Law), 2025
- Listed: Benchmark Litigation, The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- Graduate, Nebraska State Bar Association Leadership Academy, Class 2011
- Member, American Bar Association Forum on Franchising Publications Committee
- Associate Staff Member, Creighton Law Review, 2000-2002
- Co-authored and spoke on "On the Hook: Potential Individual Liability Under State Franchise Laws and Common Law," American Bar Association 47th Annual Forum on Franchising, 2024
- Co-authored and spoke on "Not So Fast My Friend: Key Issues that Arise Under Franchise Relationship Laws", American Bar Association 45th Annual Forum on Franchising, 2022
- Co-authored and spoke with Norman Leon and Doug Luther on "Independent Contractor or Employee? The Current State of the Ever-Changing Law and its Impact on Franchising", American Bar Association 43rd Annual Forum on Franchising, 2020
- Co-authored and spoke with Caroline Fichter on "Privilege Issues in Franchise Systems", American Bar Association 40th Annual Forum on Franchising, 2017
- Co-authored and spoke with Julie Lusthaus and Rochelle Spandorf on "Rescission: The Annulment of a Franchise Marriage", American Bar Association 38th Annual Forum on Franchising, 2015