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Elizabeth (Betsy) Stone works closely with clients confronting a diverse range of commercial and manufacturing disputes. Betsy has a proven track record of resolving complex legal disputes through negotiation, mediation, and, when necessary, litigation. She has successfully represented clients outside the courtroom as well as in federal and state court and before state and federal regulatory enforcement agencies.

Betsy advises on a wide array of legal matters, including supply chain and distribution network management and environmental considerations. Betsy advises and represents a diverse range of clients, including large-scale construction and pharmaceutical manufacturers, industrial suppliers, and technology-driven companies. Her commitment to delivering exceptional legal services, combined with her in-depth industry knowledge, allows her to provide innovative solutions that address the unique challenges faced by manufacturers and commercial clients.

During law school, Betsy worked as a judicial intern for the Wisconsin Supreme Court and as an extern for Wisconsin's former Solicitor General. Prior to law school, Betsy worked at a boutique litigation firm in Milwaukee.

Awards and Recognition

- Legal All-Star Honoree-Rising Young Lawyer Award, *Wisconsin Law Journal* (2023)
- Feminist Honoree, Women's Fund of Greater Milwaukee (2022)
- Eastern District of Wisconsin Pro Bono Honor Roll (2021)

Affiliations

Betsy is also a member of the American Bar Association, the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin Bar Associations, and the Milwaukee Bar Association. She is also a 2023 graduate of the Thomas E. Fairchild American Inn of Court.

Pro Bono

Betsy has donated hundreds of hours of pro bono service advocating for constitutional and civil rights of indigent community members from incarcerated persons to human trafficking victims and victims of gun violence.

Presentations and Publications

- Co-author, "[Wisconsin PFAS Groundwater Standards Halted — for Now](#)," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (December 27, 2023)
- Co-author, "[Unable to Individually Trace PFAS to Manufacturers, Sixth Circuit Dismisses PFAS Class Action](#)," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (December 15, 2023)
- Co-author, "[How U.S. EPA's New Environmental Justice Initiative Impacts Manufacturing Operations](#)," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (November 27, 2023)
- Speaker, "Answers to 10 Distribution Law Questions that Every Manufacturer Should Know," Fox Valley Continuing Legal Education Conference (2023)
- Co-author, "[The Importance of Risk Audits for PFAS in the Automotive Industry](#)," *Dashboard Insights* (October 16, 2023)
- Co-author, "How Companies Can Audit Insurance Policies to Determine PFAS Coverage," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (October 16, 2023)
- Co-author, "[PFAS Plaintiff Asserts One of the Largest Class Actions in History](#)," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (April 3, 2023)
- Co-author, "[Mass. 7-Eleven Ruling May Threaten Some Franchise Models](#)," *Law360* (April 5, 2022)
- Speaker, "The Business End of Distribution Law," Foley & Lardner LLP Annual Continuing Legal Education Week (2021)
- Co-author, "[Sea Change: Biden Administration Halts Trump-Era Regulation and Expands Clean Water Act Protections](#)," *Foley Insights- Legal News: Environmental* (September 9, 2021)
- Co-author, "[7-Eleven's Recent Federal Court Victory Illustrates Best Practices When Terminating Franchisees](#)," *Foley Insights – Legal News: Distribution & Franchise* (February 19, 2021)
- Author, "[Botched Termination Leads to Preliminary Injunction, Trapping Manufacturer With Distributor](#)," *Foley Insights* (October 28, 2020)
- Co-author, "[Federal Court Denies Class Certification of 7-Eleven Franchisees in Misclassification Suit](#)," *Foley Insights – Legal News: Distribution & Franchise* (September 16, 2020)
- Co-author, "[5 Family Office Pitfalls That May Void Securities Exemptions](#)," *Law360* (August 14, 2020)
- Co-author, "[U.S. Supreme Court Decision Creates Uncertainty, Liability Risk for Releases of Pollutants to Groundwater](#)," *Manufacturing Industry Advisor* (April 30, 2020)
- Speaker, "State(s) of Confusion: Defining the Relationship Under State Distribution Laws," Foley & Lardner LLP Law of Product Distribution Franchise Seminars (2019)
- Author, "Waste Class Actions: The Line Between Disappointment and Actionable Injury," *American Bar Association* (Aug. 8, 2017)

Sectors

- [Manufacturing](#)
- [Racial Justice & Equity](#)

Practice Areas

- [Commercial Litigation](#)
- [Distribution & Franchise](#)
- [Environmental](#)
- [Litigation](#)

Education

- University of Wisconsin Law School (J.D., summa cum laude)
 - Order of the Coif
 - Articles Editor, *Wisconsin Law Review*
- Marquette University (B.A., magna cum laude)
 - Member, Phi Beta Kappa Society

Admissions

- Wisconsin
 - United States District Courts, Western and Eastern Districts of Wisconsin