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Service Focus

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Counseling and Advice
- Litigation and Trials
- Workplace Safety

OVERVIEW

Leanna Ruotanen, a partner in Fisher Phillips' Atlanta office, has more than a decade of litigation and counseling experience, representing clients across industries in litigation and OSHA matters arising out of worksite accidents.

A significant part of her practice involves defending companies in catastrophic construction and workplace accident cases nationwide. Leanna is one of the few practicing attorneys in the country who is also a certified mobile crane operator, giving her an unparalleled perspective when advising and defending employers in crane, rigging, and heavy equipment litigation. This hands-on experience enables her to anticipate issues, understand technical industry standards, and deliver highly effective, nuanced strategies in high-stakes cases.

Leanna has defended businesses in more than a dozen states, handling high-exposure claims ranging from construction defects and premises liability to professional liability and trucking and transportation matters. She is regularly called on immediately following workplace incidents to manage accident investigations, develop defense strategies, advise on OSHA compliance, and protect client interests from the inception through trial.

Leanna has built a reputation for her proactive, detail-oriented, and results-driven approach. She has also served as a certified arbitrator for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas' Compulsory Arbitration Program, where she helped resolve disputes efficiently and fairly.

Clients value not only her legal acumen but also her deep commitment to building lasting relationships based on trust, collaboration, and open communication. By immersing herself in her clients' industries and operations, Leanna ensures that every legal strategy she develops is practical, informed, and aligned with her clients' business goals.

Credentials

Education

- Georgia State University, J.D., 2013
- University of Georgia, B.A., *cum laude*, 2009

Bar Admissions

- Georgia
- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Recognitions

- *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers – Rising Star (2019-2025)*
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Affiliations

Professional Activities

- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel

INSIGHTS

News

Sep 16, 2025

Media Outlets Cover Arrival of Partner Leanna Ruotanen

News

Sep 15, 2025

Fisher Phillips Welcomes Partner Leanna Ruotanen in Atlanta