

Elke C. Meeùs

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Overview

A former international journalist and press officer for more than a decade, Elke Meeùs draws upon her investigative research, fact-finding, professional communication, and interpersonal skills to represent clients primarily in a broad range of complex business and commercial lawsuits.

A portion of her practice is also focused on representing management exclusively in workplace disputes arising from the employer-employee relationship, including litigation in state and federal court courts, before regulatory and administrative agencies, and in arbitration matters. In addition, her practice is devoted to the resolution of energy industry disputes involving such issues as leases, quiet title, nuisance and trespass, breaches of contract, payment of royalties, joint operating agreements, personal injury, environmental and surface damages, and seismicity.

Elke graduated *summa cum laude* from Oklahoma City University School of Law, where she was a Merit Scholar, served as an editor of the *Oklahoma City University Law Review*, was a three-time member of the Jessup International Moot Court Competition Team, and was named to the Order of the Barristers. She was also the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including the OCU Pro Bono Service Award, OCU Public Interest & Exceptional Community Service Award, the Oklahoma Bar Association Financial Institutions & Commercial Law (FICL) Award, and four CALI Excellence for the Future Awards.

While pursuing her Juris Doctor, Elke gained valuable and diverse experience serving as a research assistant for an OCU Law professor, a judicial extern for a magistrate-judge of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma, a legal intern for Oklahoma Lawyers for Children, and a Dean's Summer Pro Bono Fellow for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Oklahoma.

The Belgium-native graduated *magna cum laude* with a bachelor's degree in information and communication from Université Libre de Bruxelles in 1999 and worked as an international journalist at several radio and print media outlets in her home country, where she covered

Admissions

Oklahoma, 2020

Education

J.D., *summa cum laude*, Oklahoma City University, 2020; Order of the Barristers; Notes & Case Comments Editor, *Oklahoma City University Law Review*; Jessup International Moot Court Competition; Phi Delta Phi; Public Interest & Exceptional Community Service Award; Pro Bono Service Award; 4 CALI Awards

B.A. (Information and Communication), *magna cum laude*, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 1999

Professional Organizations and Memberships

Oklahoma Bar Association

American Bar Association

Federal Bar Association

such topics as economics, European and international summits, and Belgian, Dutch, EU and international news and politics. Prior to relocating to the United States, she worked as a spokeswoman and French press officer for the European Parliament in Brussels.

Elke is fluent in English, French and Dutch and proficient in German.