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Practice Areas

Environmental Matters

Intellectual Property

Litigation

- Real Property Litigation
- Fiduciary & Probate Litigation
- Arbitration & Mediation
- Business Litigation

Health & Human Services

- Real Estate & Zoning Issues

Appellate

Admissions

State of Connecticut

Commonwealth of
Massachusetts

U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal
Circuit

U.S. District Court, District of
Connecticut

U.S. District Court, District of
Massachusetts

U.S. Supreme Court

Education

William & Mary Law School,
J.D.

Swarthmore College, B.A.
(Biology and English Literature)

Overview

Mary protects property in all of its many forms. Her varied skillset and wide range of experience enables her to assist clients whenever their property rights are impacted.

For some clients, Mary is an intellectual property attorney. She advises clients on matters related to copyright, trademark, patent and trade secret law. To facilitate clients' goals, Mary negotiates licensing agreements, services agreements, joint venture agreements, and nondisclosure agreements. To protect clients' interests, Mary attains copyright and trademark registrations, sends and responds to demand letters, and litigates copyright, trademark and patent infringement actions in federal court.

But, for others, Mary is a real property and land use attorney. She represents property owners in quiet title, trespass and nuisance actions, as well as property managers embroiled in disputes with tenants. She opposes municipal and state agencies in order to ensure that clients' property is not wrongfully taken, and that their approvals, permits and licenses are properly issued.

And, for many, Mary is an environmental attorney. Using the skills that she developed as a biologist, Mary reviews environmental analyses and negotiates environmental sections of clients' leases and purchase and sale agreements. She represents her clients' environmental and property interests in administrative, state, and federal actions, some of which have included Connecticut Supreme Court appeals.

For all clients, Mary uses strategic planning and protective agreements to minimize litigation risks, but when those two methods are not enough, she advances clients' interests through litigation. Her goal is to always keep clients' best interests in mind, regardless of which property rights they are striving to protect.

In addition to her position at Reid and Riege, Mary has served as an adjunct faculty professor at the University of Connecticut School of Law since 2020, where she teaches her students how to protect the property rights of new entrepreneurs.

Representative Experience

- Attained a favorable judgment on behalf of a manufacturing company from the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.
- Defended a transportation company against a patent infringement claim and negotiated its favorable resolution.
- Successfully defended a software copyright infringement claim through a Federal bench trial and judgment.
- Brought and negotiated the favorable resolution of a trademark infringement suit on behalf of an international corporation.

- Attained trademark and copyright registrations for a wide variety of clients from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and U.S. Copyright Office.
- Assisted a variety of nonprofit organizations in developing their intellectual property strategies.
- Defended and negotiated the favorable resolution of a hazardous waste enforcement action brought by the Environmental Protection Agency against a multi-state manufacturing operation.
- Argued a case of first impression to the Connecticut Supreme Court concerning the expansion of easements by necessity, which clarified decades of conflicting jurisprudence.
- Successfully represented the interests of an intervenor to a Connecticut Siting Council hearing concerning an application to construct a large gas-fired power plant.
- Filed and negotiated the favorable resolution of an action under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act and the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act.

Professional & Community Involvement

- Connecticut Italian American Bar Association, Vice President
- Society for Women Environmental Professionals (SWEP), Connecticut Chapter, Board Member
- The Judge Janet Bond Arterton American Inn of Court
- Connecticut Women's Council
- American Bar Association, Environmental Litigation Committee Member
- New Haven County Bar Association
- Connecticut Bar Association
- Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Network

Honors & Awards

- *Super Lawyers Connecticut Rising Star*® for Intellectual Property 2025
- *Super Lawyers Connecticut Rising Star*® for Environmental Law (2015-2017) and Intellectual Property (2018-2023)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Copyright Law (2024, 2025)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Commercial Litigation 2025

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- "Commercial Leases and Environmental Due Diligence," Connecticut Bar Association (March 6, 2018)
- "Is it Time to Consider Solar Energy for My Business?" Reid & Riege Breakfast Program (June 21, 2017)
- "Real Estate Transactions From A to Z," National Business Institute (April 4, 2017)
- "Has the Responsible Corporate Officer Killed the LLC?" *American Bar Association Environmental Litigation Newsletter* (Winter 2016)
- "Unseen Challenges in Regulating Nanomaterials," Connecticut Chapter of the Academy of Hazardous Materials Managers (March 26, 2015)
- "Remediation Obligations Create Confusing Environment," *Connecticut Law Tribune* (May 5, 2014)

News

- Reid & Riege Attorneys Recognized in 2026 Editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America