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Education: J.D., New York University School of Law, 1998; B.A., Boston College (*magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa), 1993

Practice areas: Business Litigation, Product Liability, Employment Law

Andrea Studley Knowles is a litigator with significant experience in a wide range of practice areas. Her product liability practice focuses on the automotive and power tool industries. Before joining SRBC, she was a litigation associate for five years at Goodwin Procter LLP, where she represented individuals and corporations in complex civil litigation matters, including pharmaceutical litigation and asbestos litigation.

Andrea's business litigation experience includes handling a variety of contract disputes on behalf of individuals and corporations, plaintiffs and defendants. She has also devoted substantial time to the defense of tort claims for major national retailers. Her prior experience at Goodwin Procter also included extensive involvement in the defense of Indian land claims.

Andrea's recent employment experience includes defending various state law causes of action and a wrongful termination claim based on the False Claims Act.

In addition to practicing in the state and federal courts of Massachusetts, Andrea has also handled matters before the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, the Bureau of Special Education Appeals, and the State Ethics Commission.

Andrea is also active in pro bono work and her recent pro bono activities include representing a civil rights organization in a housing discrimination matter and serving as a writing coach for Citizen Schools Eighth Grade Academy, a leading national after-school initiative.

While in law school, Andrea served as a student attorney in the New York University Federal Defender Clinic, representing indigent defendants and assisting in a felony assault trial and a death penalty case. She also worked as a research assistant for Leslie Feiner in the preparation of *The Whole Truth: Restoring Reality to Children's Narrative in Long-Term Incest Cases*, 87 J. Crim. L. & Criminology 1385, 1997.

Recognition

- *Massachusetts Super Lawyers* "Rising Stars" (Personal Injury Defense: Products), *Boston* magazine, 2007-2011



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Memberships

- Boston Bar Association
- Board of Editors, *Boston Bar Journal* (Member 2007-)
- Defense Research Institute

Admissions

- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

Publications

- Co-author, “Advising Clients on How to Develop Product Warnings,” *For the Defense*, June 2004 (a publication of the Defense Research Institute)