## **Ashley T. Brines**

### Associate

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#### **Practices**

FOCUS: Litigation
Consumer Finance Litigation and
Regulatory Compliance

#### **Education**

JD, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law

BA, University of California, San Diego, *cum laude* 

#### **Bar Admissions**

California

#### **Court Admissions**

US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit US District Court, Central District of California

US District Court, Northern District of California

US District Court, District of Colorado

Ashley Brines represents banks, credit unions, financial services providers, landlords and other companies in class actions and complex litigation. She has experience defending clients through all stages of litigation before trial courts in state and federal jurisdictions across the country, drafting appellate briefings before multiple US Courts of Appeals and defending clients in arbitration proceedings. She also has extensive experience litigating claims involving breach of contract, consumer protection, negligence, fraud, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, and other federal and state statutes. Ashley recently served as third chair in a jury trial in which Katten secured a defense verdict on behalf of our client.

## **Dedicated to serving others**

Ashley maintains an active pro bono practice, including securing asylum in the United States for a client and his family, finalizing adoptions for various families, and drafting an *amicus* brief that was filed in the Washington Supreme Court on behalf of a nonprofit organization advocating for women's rights.

While in law school, Ashley served as a judicial extern for the Honorable John A. Kronstadt at the US District Court for the Central District of California. Ashley also participated in the UCLA Cappello Civil Trial Advocacy and Pretrial Civil Litigation clinics.

#### **News**

- Katten Attorneys Offer Pro Bono Help on National Adoption Day (November 22, 2021)
- Katten Attorneys Lauded for Pro Bono Service (October 27, 2021)

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## **Publications**

 Is the CFPB Seeking to Expand the Definition of Credit and Its Regulatory Reach? The Bureau Sues Snap Finance and Asserts That Snap's Transactions are "Credit" Under Federal Law (July 26, 2023)