


# Samantha Marchand

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## Overview

**Samantha focuses her practice on litigation, with an emphasis on trade secrets. She is committed to helping businesses protect their proprietary information and maintain a competitive advantage by carefully handling complex trade secret issues. Her experience includes conducting legal research and drafting a variety of memoranda, briefs and discovery.**

Before joining Benesch, Samantha served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Chief Judge Sara Darrow in the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois. In law school, she was the Executive Editor of Research and Marketing for the Loyola Law Journal and a student attorney with Loyola's Health Justice Project. This medical-legal partnership addresses systemic barriers impacting vulnerable communities.

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law, 2024, *cum laude*
  - Loyola Law Journal Executive Editor, Research and Marketing (vol. 55)
  - CALI Award, Legal Writing III
- Spring Arbor University, 2019, B.A., Communications, *summa cum laude*
  - Minor in Psychology

### BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

## News & Insights

- Versata v. Ford: Federal Circuit Reinstates $82M Award and Opens Door to Even Greater Damages
  June 11, 2026 | Client Alerts & Insights
- $2B Trade Secrets Verdict Overturned by the Virginia Supreme Court
  May 1, 2026 | Client Alerts & Insights
- Update: Insulet Corp.’s Trade Secrets Jury Award Reduced From $452 Million to $59.4 Million to Avoid Double Recovery
  June 3, 2025 | Client Alerts & Insights
- Insulet Corp. May Have to Choose Between $452 Million Jury Award or Permanently Blocking Competitor From Utilizing Its Trade Secrets
  March 17, 2025 | Client Alerts & Insights
- Samantha Marchand and Michael O'Donnell Mentioned in Crain's Chicago People on the Move
  December 10, 2024 | Media Mentions