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Lorraine joined Mackenzie Hughes in 2012 as a partner in the litigation department. She has over 35 years of experience representing individual and corporate clients in a wide variety of civil litigation matters, including: construction site and motor vehicle accidents, product liability and asbestos claims, premises liability and general negligence, commercial and business disputes, contract interpretation, and declaratory judgment actions.

Lorraine has appeared before State and Federal trial and appellate courts, as well as administrative and alternative dispute resolution venues. Lorraine lives in Pompey with her husband Jeff. They are avid sports fans, including Syracuse University football, basketball and lacrosse. Lorraine also enjoys gardening and collecting antiques

Professional and Community Activities:

Current:

- Member of the New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Trustee, of the Northern District of New York Federal Court Bar Association
- Serves on the Board of Directors of Contact Community Service
- Serves annually as a judge for Onondaga County's High School Mock Trial competition

Prior:

- Lecturer at a variety of New York State Bar Association CLE seminars
- Education
- Bachelor of Science degree, St. Lawrence University (cum laude) (majoring in both mathematics and physics)

Practice Areas:

- Construction
- Personal Injury
- Insurance
- Public Officers
- Litigation

Admissions:

- New York State
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District and Western District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- Onondaga County and Madison County Bar Associations

Education:

- Bachelor of Science degree, St. Lawrence University, Cum Laude (majoring in both mathematics and physics)
- Juris Doctorate, Albany Law School