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**PRIMARY PRACTICES**

Construction

Litigation

Complex Commercial Litigation

A partner in Hahn Loeser's Litigation and Construction practice areas, Lauren Purdy provides practical solutions, allowing clients to achieve business goals. Lauren's array of knowledge, experience and leadership includes first-chair litigation, regulatory compliance, appellate work, aviation, injury claims, and insurance fraud.

For seven years, Lauren served as a civil litigator, managing cases through trial, including multiple jury trials and over 50 bench trials. She has represented contractors in disputes with governmental authorities, negotiating resolutions and defending administrative and civil claims. Lauren advises on contract procurement and enforcement and consumer-protection litigation. Her appellate work and post-judgment motions, includes favorable client outcomes for Rule 60(B) relief.

Lauren spent 15 years with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), working in various positions focused on construction law, contractor disputes, administrative hearings, and large-scale contract administration. Her last 10 years came as ODOT's first Deputy Director of the Division of Opportunity, Diversity, and Inclusion, successfully leading a team of 41 individuals, bringing the agency into federal compliance, safeguarding crucial funding. She served as Team Leader for the landmark Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project, ODOT's first Progressive Design Build Project (PDB). Lauren oversaw policy direction and actions of the Office of Business and Economic Opportunity, the Office of Civil Rights Compliance, and the Office of Outreach.

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

- State of Ohio, 2003
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio, 2004

**EDUCATION**

- Capital University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*
- Ohio Wesleyan University, B.A., *cum laude*

**PUBLICATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- Diversity & Inclusion in "5 Easy Steps" (Ohio Diversity Council)
- Changing the Face: Infrastructure, Economic Impact & Inclusion (City of Akron)
- Best Practices in Diversity & Inclusion Goals (Mid-Atlantic Association of State Transportation Organizations)

**PROFESSIONAL HISTORY**

Partner, Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP, 2026 – present  
Capital University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*  
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Supervising Attorney, Kohl & Cook, 2025

Deputy Director, Ohio Department of Transportation Division of

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*LAUREN S. PURDY*  
*PARTNER*



Opportunity, 2016 – 2025

Administrator, Ohio Department of Transportation, 2012 – 2016

**PERSONAL**

Lauren lives in Johnstown, Ohio with her son and two horses.