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Education

J.D., Saint Louis University, 2013
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Bar Admissions

Missouri, 2013 Illinois, 2014 U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri

Professional Organizations

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Keyla Rhoades has been practicing workers' compensation in Missouri for over ten years. She has successfully argued cases before the Labor and Industrial Relations Commission, Missouri Court of Appeals Eastern and Southern Districts, and the Missouri Supreme Court. Keyla's current practice is focused on representing employers and insurance carriers in workers' compensation matters in Southeast Missouri.

Before joining MVP, Keyla served as the Labor Division Unit Leader and Office Manager for the Cape Girardeau location of the Missouri Attorney General's Office. She represented both the State of Missouri- Central Accident Reporting Office and Second Injury Fund, handling cases from initial compensability review through final resolution, be it via dismissal, settlement, hearing, or appeal. She also assisted other divisions from time to time, representing clients such as the Department of Corrections and Department of Agriculture. Keyla has been a speaker for Missouri Bar and Workers' Compensation Institute events. In addition to her management duties, Keyla headed the Attorney General's Office's annual deposition training program for all the office's new attorneys.

In 2016, Keyla received the Attorney General's Award for Excellence in Administration and Management. In 2022, she received the Attorney General's Award for Mentoring. Keyla volunteers with Feed My Starving Children each year through her church. She volunteers as a career skills instructor for One City, a non-profit based in Cape Girardeau. She is proud to serve on several committees of the Jackson R-II South Elementary PTO.

Keyla lives in Jackson, Missouri with her husband, Chris, and their son, Teddy. They love to play video games and watch movies while snuggling up with their two dogs and one cat. On weekends, Keyla spends time outdoors with family in rural Missouri. She loves trying new things, like playing roller derby, backpacking at Taum Sauk Mountain, or taking self-defense courses.

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