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Ann R. Koppel is a litigator and corporate advisor with nearly twenty years of experience. She has substantial experience managing and litigating complex cases, including class actions in federal and state courts. Her diverse litigation experience includes healthcare/HIPAA, insurance coverage, products liability/pharmaceutical matters, and commercial disputes.

Most recently, Ms. Koppel was in-house counsel at Ochsner Health System, where she managed complex litigation and the HIPAA/Privacy and Research Compliance Departments. Her experience as an in-house advisor informs her “solution-oriented” approach to litigating and solving problems for her clients.

Ms. Koppel graduated with High Honors in History from Dartmouth College in 1994 and *cum laude* from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1997. She is an active volunteer in several community organizations supporting education and the arts.

Professional Experience

- Advise and counsel multi-facility health system on litigation, risk management, and insurance issues
- Managed privacy and research compliance function for large multi-facility health system
- Defended health system in class action relating to commercial practices
- Defended health system in tort suits and insurance-coverage matters
- Managed Louisiana defense of cases in large pharmaceutical litigation MDL matter including over 1000 individual cases including discovery, expert development and preparation, and pretrial motions
- Defended chemical company in multiple class action, individual property-damage, and RICO suits. Achieved a denial of class certification after three-day hearing and defeated RICO claims
- Defended large product manufacturer in multiple individual and class action cases involving products-liability claims
- Assistant Vice President & Associate General Counsel, Ochsner Health System, New Orleans, 2011-15
- Associate and Partner, Adams and Reese, New Orleans, 2000-11
- Associate, Winston & Strawn, New York City, 1997-2000

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Education

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., 1997, *cum laude*

Dartmouth College, A.B., 1994, with High Honors

News & Recognition

- New Orleans Regional Leadership Institute (2009) selected as graduation speaker
- Citibusiness, New Orleans Women of the Year (2009)

Professional Activities

- Member, Louisiana State Bar Association
- Member, Federal Bar Association
- Member, Defense Research Institute
- Dartmouth Club of the Gulf Coast, District Enrollment Director for New Orleans Metro Area
- Trinity Educational Enrichment Program, Board Member
- Longue Vue House and Gardens, Development Committee