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## **Managing Attorney – Sioux Falls, SD Location**

Attorney Marie H. Ruettgers is the Managing Attorney for the Goosmann Law Firm's Sioux Falls Location. Marie is experienced, ready and willing to handle employment litigation and human resources advising, and represents companies and staffing agencies in HR disputes. She helps companies through HR consulting, discrimination defense claims, non-compete agreements, and hiring and firing guidance. Through Goosmann Law Firm's Cyber Law Counsel, Marie also helps companies protect their property, resources, clients and name against cybercrimes, particularly among businesses handling private consumer information such as banks, finance companies, credit card processors, or health care providers. Marie's practice areas include but are not limited to employment law, cyber law, litigation, business law, health care law, debtor and creditor, finance, and banking law. *LICENSED IN South Dakota, Iowa, and North Dakota.*

## **Education**

University of South Dakota, School of Law - Juris Doctor, 2004

Graduated 5th of 72, Top 10 Percent, Thomas Sterling Honor Society

Moot Court Board Member 2002-2004, President 2003-2004

Trial Team Member Spring 2004, Advocacy Award Winner, Spring 2004

Member, Order of the Barrister

University of Kansas, Master of Business Administration, Concentrations in Marketing and Management, 1986

Benedictine College, Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration, 1985

## **Employment**

United States Attorney's Office, District of South Dakota: Pierre, SD

### **Assistant United States Attorney, 2010-2014**

Responsible for prosecuting violations of the Major Crimes Act and federal crimes of general jurisdiction on the Rosebud Indian Reservation.

Supreme Court of the State of South Dakota: Pierre, SD

### **Career Law Clerk to Chief Justice David Gilbertson, 2004-2006; 2008-2010**

Responsible for analyzing, researching, and drafting bench briefs and opinions.

University of South Dakota, School of Law: Vermillion, SD

### **Adjunct Professor Fundamental Legal Skills – 2008-2009**

Responsible for teaching legal writing, research, and oral advocacy to first year law students.

Heidman Law Firm: Sioux City, IA

### **Associate Attorney, 2006-2008**

Assisted in the preparation of pleadings, discovery, briefs, and trial materials for insurance and medical malpractice defense matters.

## **Bar Admissions**

State: South Dakota, Iowa, North Dakota

Federal District Court: District of South Dakota, Northern District of Iowa

United States Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit

## **Community Involvement**

Volunteer, Pierre Humane Society

Co-Chair, Pierre Humane Society Canine Playground Project Fund Raising Committee

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