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Linda Dakin-Grimm

Los Angeles

Place of Birth: Fort Wayne, Ind.

Law School: Harvard Law School

Law Firm: Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy

Practice Area: Business, reinsurance litigation, arbitration

Years in Practice: 23

A partner at Milbank since 1999, Linda Dakin-Grimm has scored big wins for her clients.

After a five-week trial last year in federal court in Los Angeles, Dakin-Grimm won a \$43 million jury verdict for Pacific Service Mutual. Her client had sued National Farm

Financial Corp. to enforce a stock purchase agreement. Dakin-Grimm credited her team's deft use of video deposition technology in obtaining the verdict.

Also, in early 2007, Dakin-Grimm represented insurance giant AIG in a reinsurance arbitration deal with California-based reinsurer Argonaut Insurance. When Argonaut refused to pay, Dakin-Grimm persuaded a judge to order the company to honor the \$10 million agreement.

In addition to her courtroom work, Dakin-Grimm is a member of the four-person partner compensation committee and the only woman to hold a management role in the firm.



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