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OVERVIEW

Amran is a commercial litigator, representing and advising clients in an array of areas, including complex commercial litigation, construction litigation, social media, employment law, and internal investigations. She has broad experience successfully representing clients in state and federal court, as well as arbitration proceedings.

In addition to her litigation practice, Amran co-founded Greene Espel's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Practice which conducts workplace investigations and assists employers in addressing issues of discrimination and workplace misconduct. In that arena, she helps clients develop diversity, equity, and inclusion policies to foster equity, inclusion and belonging, and develops and provides DEIB trainings. Audiences commend her energizing and insightful presentations.

Amran's talents are widely recognized. She was awarded *Minnesota Lawyer*'s Attorney of the Year Award and recognized by *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* as a 40 under 40 Honoree. Minnesota Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith selected Amran to serve on the Judicial Selection Committee for the open seat on the federal court bench, and appointed her to the selection committee to select Minnesota's U.S. Attorney and U.S. Marshall. Amran is routinely asked to assist in hiring executive officers.

Amran is the past-President of the Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers, a founder and past-President of the Somali American Bar Association, and the past-Chair of the Council of Minnesotans of African Heritage.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Hamline University School of Law, *magna cum laude*; *Hamline Law Review*; Giles Rich Intellectual Property Moot Court
- B.A., University of Saint Thomas, Political Science and English

EXPERIENCE

- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, Judge Franklin L. Noel, Law Clerk
- Hennepin County District Court, Judge Pamela G. Alexander
- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, Judge Michael J. Davis, Extern

ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
- State of Minnesota

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AFFILIATIONS

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Federal Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association
- Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- National Bar Association
- Somali American Bar Association

LANGUAGES

- Somali (fluent)

RECOGNITION

- 2021 Attorney of the Year, *Minnesota Lawyer*
- 40 Under 40 Honoree, *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* (2021)
- Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch (2021-2024)
- Selected to Minnesota Rising Stars list, Minnesota Super Lawyers (2021-2023)
- Up and Coming Attorney, *Minnesota Lawyer* (2020)
- Recognized as Minnesota State Bar Association North Star Lawyer for pro bono service (2019)
- 2018 Diversity & Inclusion Honoree, *Minnesota Lawyer*
- Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Award
- Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers – Michael J. Davis Scholarship Award
- Nelson Mandela Scholarship Award
- Minnesota Federal Bar – Judge Jacob Dim Memorial Award
- Minnesota Black Women Lawyer's Network Scholarship Award

COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Federal Law Enforcement Selection Committee
- B.R.A.V.E. Inc. – Board Member
- Governor Dayton's Council of Minnesotan's of African Heritage, Governor Appointed Member
- Minneapolis Police Police Conduct and Oversight Commission

NEWS & UPDATES

- **August 17, 2023** *Best Lawyers Recognizes 16 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2024 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists*
- **July 18, 2023** *16 Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists*
- **August 18, 2022** Best Lawyers Recognizes 14 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2023 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists
- **July 18, 2022** 16 Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **December 21, 2021** 3M and Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized by *Minnesota Lawyer* as 2021 Attorney of the Year Honorees
- **October 11, 2021** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized in 2022 "Best Lawyers in the Midwest" Publication
- **August 19, 2021** Best Lawyers Recognizes 14 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2022 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists
- **July 21, 2021** Award: Super Lawyers Recognizes 13 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2021 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists

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- **June 14, 2021** *Best Lawyers* 2021 “Women in the Law” Business Edition Recognizes Eight Greene Espel Attorneys
- **February 23, 2021** Amran Farah Selected as a 40 Under 40 Honoree by Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal
- **February 9, 2021** Amran Farah appointed to the Federal Law Enforcement Selection Committee by U.S. Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith
- **January 26, 2021** Greene Espel congratulates Jeya Paul, Amran Farah and Davida Williams on their elevation to our partnership.
- **September 21, 2020** Award: Cliff Greene Receives Transformational Leadership Award from The International Leadership Institute
- **September 17, 2020** Cliff Greene to Retire from Greene Espel
- **September 4, 2020** Award: Greene Espel Receives Nods for Diversity and Inclusion
- **August 20, 2020** Award: The Best Lawyers in America 2021 Recognizes 17 Greene Espel Lawyers
- **July 10, 2020** Award: Three Greene Espel Attorneys Named Up & Coming Lawyers by Minnesota Lawyer
- **June 10, 2020** Award: 13 Greene Espel Attorneys Named North Star Lawyers for Pro Bono Service
- **December 6, 2019** Amran Farah to Serve on Judicial Selection Committee
- **November 6, 2019** Press Mention: Profiles in Practice Features Amran Farah
- **November 5, 2019** Event (11/5/2019): Cliff Greene Featured Speaker: Traditions of Excellence Inspiring Conversations with Industry Leaders
- **September 23, 2019** Award: Amran Farah Recognized as a 2019 Diversity & Inclusion Honoree by Minnesota Lawyer
- **January 7, 2019** Press mentions: Amran Farah Featured in "Hennepin Lawyer"
- **October 16, 2018** Greene Espel Welcomes New Attorneys

EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

- **December 31, 2023** Adjunct Professor, William Mitchell College of Law, Civil Dispute Resolution (2016-Present)
- **September 28, 2023** Conscious Inclusion: How Lawyers Can Eliminate Bias to Achieve Better Outcomes
- **May 11, 2023** Sybil Dunlop and Amran Farah to Present for Twin Cities Diversity in Practice
- **September 3, 2022** Amran Farah to Present Keynote at the 2022 Somali Diaspora Conference
- **February 17, 2022** *The New Workplace – Remote Working Policies*, Co-Presenter, Minnesota State Bar Association
- **February 16, 2022** *5 Ways to Check Implicit Bias in Your Legal Practice*, Co-Presenter, Minnesota CLE
- **June 25, 2021** *How to be an Effective Leader in Your Community*, Minnesota State Bar Association Convention
- **December 1, 2019** *How to Litigate a Civil Case in Minnesota – Drafting a Successful Response to the Complaint*, Minnesota CLE

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