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You could call Melissa Arbus Sherry's return to Latham & Watkins' Washington office in October 2014 a homecoming. The former Latham associate rejoined the firm as a partner in the Supreme Court and appellate practice group after serving five years as an assistant to the Solicitor General of the United States. In that role, Sherry represented the federal government before the Supreme Court and assisted in overseeing the government's litigation in the federal appellate courts. Sherry has personally argued 10 cases before the Supreme Court on behalf of the United States. She was recently appointed co-chair of Latham & Watkins' Washington litigation department and has filed a pro bono amicus brief in the current same-sex marriage cases before the Supreme Court.

