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**practice areas**

- Litigation
- Government Contracts & Construction

**recognition and honors**

- Law Clerk to The Honorable S. Bernard Goodwyn, The Supreme Court of Virginia, 2008-2009
- Senior Editor; *Journal of International Law*, Regent University School of Law, 2007
- Managing Board; Trial Advocacy, Regent University School of Law, 2007

**associations**

- Virginia Maritime Association; Propeller Club, Port of Norfolk
- Organization of Women in International Trade
- James Kent Inn of Court; Executive Committee, 2009-present
- Virginia Women Attorneys Association
- Virginia Bar Association
- Norfolk-Portsmouth Bar Association
- Chesapeake Bar Association

**admissions**

- Virginia State Courts
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

**education**

- Old Dominion University; B.S., 2002
- Regent University School of Law; J.D., *cum laude*, 2007