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Michelle Elmore Wooton is a Member in the Business Law practice group, as well as the Banking, Energy, Oil & Gas, and Coal industry groups, focusing primarily on real estate development. She practices out of the Firm's office in Charleston, West Virginia.

Michelle brings years of experience to assist clients with real estate development, providing expertise for land purchases and land ventures. She has significant experience in both the sale of real estate as well as the acquisition of land. She has represented clients in connection with multiple large and small-scale transactions. She is an agent for multiple title insurance companies, and assists in writing and procuring title insurance on behalf of land purchasers. Her development practice includes assisting developers and financial lenders with title work, financing documents, land acquisition and sales agreements, land contracts, leases, curative actions, zoning, and transactional agreements. Michelle provides clients with exceptional advice and counsel on all aspects of property matters.

Michelle is a leader within the Firm, serving as the co-leader of the Firm's internal land and natural resource development practice group. She was selected as a fellow in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, and selected by her peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Oil and Gas Law.

She graduated from The University of Maryland in College Park with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English focusing on British and American literature, and received her J.D. from West Virginia University College of Law.

Awards

- *Best Lawyers in America*® for Oil and Gas Law (2018-2022)
- Fellow with the American College of Real Estate Lawyers
- Order of the Coif (2004)
- Patrick Duffy Koontz Scholarship (2004)
- *West Virginia Law Review*, executive student works editor

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2004-Present)

Practices

- Business Law
- Construction Law
- Mergers & Acquisitions

- Real Estate
- Renewable Energy

Industries

- Banking
- Coal
- Construction
- Energy
- Oil & Gas

Education

- West Virginia University College of Law (J.D., 2004)
- University of Maryland (B.A. in English, 1998)

Admissions

- West Virginia (2004)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2004)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2004)

Professional Organizations

- American College of Real Estate Lawyers, Fellow
- Energy and Mineral Law Foundation, Board of Trustees
- West Virginia State Bar Association
- Kanawha County Bar Association
- Title Agent for multiple title insurance companies

Community

- Junior Achievement, Board of Directors
- Girl Scouts Black Diamond Council, Board of Directors, Troop Leader

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, Legal Panel, Women's Energy Network Greater Pittsburgh Annual Educational Conference, Nov. 5, 2021