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Zachary H. "Zach" Warder is a Member practicing in the Energy and Construction industry groups, focusing primarily on commercial litigation. He practices out of the Firm's office in Morgantown, West Virginia.

Zach is committed to zealously representing his clients so that their best interests are always served and enjoys the thrill, strategy and constant client interaction that occurs throughout all phases of litigation. Zach's commercial litigation experience involves litigating a multitude of cases involving business and contractual interests, such as the prosecution and defense of construction, distribution, and employment agreements, employer liability matters, and injunction cases.

He routinely represents contractors, owners, developers, architects, and suppliers in the prosecution and defense of construction claims, which range from public and private breach of contract claims to bid disputes and liens.

Zach received his law degree from the West Virginia University College of Law in 2018. While in law school, he served as Senior Managing Editor of Volume 120 of the West Virginia Law Review. Zach was also a proud member of the United States Supreme Court Clinic and earned a CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Contracts.

Prior to law school, Zach worked in the U.S. House of Representatives as the Special Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer. In this role, Zach was involved in overseeing the House's Acquisition Management, Finances, Media Galleries, Logistics and Support, and House Information Resources. During his time on Capitol Hill, Zach learned how to work effectively with Congressmen and Congressional Staff from all different backgrounds and beliefs.

When Zach isn't practicing law, he enjoys going on hikes with his Golden Retriever, playing golf (poorly...), traveling and reading historical non-fiction.

Awards

- *West Virginia Law Review*, Senior Managing Editor, Vol. 120 (2017-2018)
- *West Virginia Law Review*, Associate Editor, Vol. 119 (2016-2017)
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Contracts

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2019-Present)
- Hudgins Law Firm, Associate (2018-2019)
- United States Supreme Court Law Clinic, Supervised Student Attorney (2016-2017)
- Hudgins Law Firm, Summer Associate (2017)
- Administrative Counsel for the U.S. House of Representatives, Summer Associate (2016)

- Chief Administrative Officer of the U.S. House of Representatives, Special Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer (2012-2015)

Practices

- Commercial Litigation
- Litigation
- Product Liability Litigation
- Construction Law

Industries

- Energy
- Construction

Education

- West Virginia University College of Law (J.D., 2018)
 - Bloom Scholar (Full-Merit Scholarship)
- Boston University College of Communication (B.S. in Communication, 2012)
 - Minor in History
 - Public Relations Student Society of America, Account Executive

Admissions

- Virginia (2018)
- West Virginia (2019)
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia (2019)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2019)
- Supreme Court of Virginia (2018)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2019)

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Speak Engagements

- Zach serves as a contributor to Thomson Reuter's West Virginia Construction Law and Customs Q&A resource.

Writings and Publications

- Author, "'Nay' to Forced Pooling: The Stagnation of West Virginia's Natural Gas Industry," 120 *W. Va. L. Rev.* 689 (2018)

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