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Don is a partner with CWM and serves as the Practice Group Chair for the firm’s Commercial Bankruptcy and Creditors’ Rights Group. He also practices in the areas of Civil Litigation, Commercial Real Estate, Construction Law and Eminent Domain. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Virginia and his J.D. degree from Washington and Lee University, after which he began his career by clerking with the Honorable Blackwell N. Shelley of the United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Virginia.

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Practice Areas

Commercial Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights
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Business Law

Business Disputes

Commercial Real Estate Law

Construction Law

Litigation

Business & Industries

Banks

Financial Services Institutions

Municipal Corporations

Redevelopment and Housing Authorities

Construction Contractors

Honors & Awards



Virginia Law Foundation (Fellow, 2018)

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*® Bankruptcy & Creditor-Debtor Rights/Insolvency & Reorganization Law; and Litigation-Bankruptcy, 2011-2019; Eminent Domain & Condemnation Law, 2014-2019

Best Lawyers® "Lawyer of the Year", Norfolk Eminent Domain & Condemnation Law, 2015

Listed in *Virginia Super Lawyers*, Creditor Debtor Rights, 2006-2019

Selected to Top 100 *Virginia Super Lawyers*, 2013, 2015 and 2018

Listed in Virginia's "*Legal Elite*" by *Virginia Business Magazine*, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights, 2003, 2009-2017

Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service, Tidewater Council Boy Scouts of America, 2013

Education

Washington & Lee University School of Law, J.D., 1989

University of Virginia , B.A., History, 1986

Bar Admissions

Virginia State Bar

Virginia Supreme Court

United States Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

U.S. Bankruptcy Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia

Memberships

Virginia Bar Association, Board of Governors; Chairman, Membership Committee

Tidewater Bankruptcy Bar Association (Offices held: President, Secretary, Treasurer)

Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association (Offices held: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Chairman, Young Lawyers Section, Chairman, Courts of Justice Committee, Chairman, Bench-Bar Conference Committee)

Virginia Beach Bar Association
Second District Disciplinary Committee, Chairman Section I

Community Involvement

Boy Scouts of America, Tidewater Council, Executive Board

CIVIC Leadership Institute, Class of 2012

Educational Access and Guidance Project

Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce (Graduate of LEAD Hampton Roads Program)

Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Virginia (Non-Voting Board Member)

Independent Living Program, Norfolk Social Services (Instructor)

Representative Experience

- Former Law Clerk to the Honorable Blackwell N. Shelley of the United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Virginia.
- Represents regional and national financial institutions in workouts, litigation (bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy) and asset-backed lending.
- Has successfully represented clients in obtaining pre-judgment property seizures and attachments.
- Has successfully represented clients in obtaining injunctive relief in federal and state courts.
- Represents municipal entities in eminent domain and redevelopment matters.
- Successfully represented non-profit corporation in obtaining summary judgment on all counts of a multimillion dollar class-action civil rights lawsuit.

Articles and Presentations

- Panel Member, "Ten (or more) Litigation Opinions You Need to Know About", 22nd Annual Bankruptcy Law Conference, Virginia Bar Association (May 2-3, 2019)
- Presenter, "Eminent Domain Constitutional Amendment", Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association, (October 2, 2012)
- Presenter, "Eminent Domain Constitutional Amendment", HRACRE, (August 9, 2012)
- Presenter, "Eminent Domain & Constitutional Amendment in Virginia", 2012 Update in the Law Seminar, Stewart Title Guaranty Company, (July 10, 2012)
- "Tenancy by Entirety Law in Virginia and United States v. Kraft", Bankruptcy Law News, (Summer 2003)
- Donald C. Schultz, W. Ryan Snow, "Injunction Practice In Virginia State and Federal Courts", (April 24, 2003)
- Donald C. Schultz, W. Ryan Snow, "Recent Developments In The Admissibility Of Expert Witness Testimony Under State And Federal Law", (February 28, 2002)
- "Admiralty Law in a Bankruptcy Context", Bankruptcy Law News, (Winter 1995)