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James is a litigation associate at Crenshaw, Ware & Martin. Originally from Arizona, he received his B.S. in foreign service from Georgetown University and his J.D. from the George Washington University Law School.

He focused his studies and extracurricular activities in law school on admiralty and maritime law and particularly on the federal government's role and responsibilities in those areas. Following law school, James clerked for the Honorable Douglas E. Miller, a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

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Practice Areas

Admiralty & Maritime Law
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Employment Law
Government Contracts
Litigation
Subrogation

Businesses & Industries

Business Owners and Managers
Cargo and Shipping Interests
Financial Institutions, Banks, Lenders
Technology Companies
U.S. and International Insurers

Honors & Awards

Winner, 2016 ABA Admiralty and Maritime Law Committee Law Student Writing Competition
Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, May 2014

Education

The George Washington University School of Law, J.D. with honors, 2017

Georgetown University, B.S., 2010

Bar Admissions

Virginia

Court Admissions

Supreme Court of Virginia
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia

Memberships

Virginia Bar Association (Contributing Editor, Young Lawyer Division Newsletter)
Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International
Defense Research Institute
Maritime Law Association of the United States
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Community Involvement

U.S. Marine Corps Reserve

Articles and Presentations

- Protecting the Maritime Rights of States Threatened by Rising Sea Levels: Preserve Legacy Exclusive Economic Zones, Berkeley Journal of International Law (Spring 2018)

Representative Experience

- Law Clerk to the Hon. Douglas E. Miller, Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (August 2017–August 2018)
- Legal Intern, Office of Claims and Litigation, Office of the Judge Advocate General, United States Coast Guard (August 2015–December 2015)
- Legal Intern, Aviation and Admiralty Litigation Section, United States Department of Justice (May 2015–August 2015)
- Administration and Legal Officer, United States Marine Corps, 3d Intelligence Battalion, Okinawa, Japan (November 2011–May 2014)