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Doug is a partner with the firm and member of the Litigation and Healthcare Law practice groups. His multifaceted experience in the areas of medical malpractice defense, risk management and healthcare law brings tremendous depth and experience to his practice representing hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, physicians, pharmacists, dentists, nurses and other health care providers in courts throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia and North Carolina. His unique combination of defending claims and risk management gives him an unparalleled ability to understand and counsel clients on critical matters of risk mitigation. Doug's advocacy role also extends to healthcare providers who are faced with disciplinary proceedings before their respective professional licensing boards. His legal expertise includes professional liability defense of accountants, architects, engineers, realtors, and lawyers. In addition, Doug has extensive litigation experience representing municipalities, public agencies, businesses and individuals in a wide range of civil litigation matters including complex litigation involving construction, product liability, automobile, premises, catastrophic personal injury and property damage.

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Practice Areas

Healthcare Law
Litigation
Medical Malpractice Defense
Local Government
State Board Licensing and Credentialing

Businesses & Industries

Health Care Systems
Hospitals
Healthcare professionals
Long-Term Facilities
Local Government
Public Agencies

Honors & Awards

AV[®] Preeminent[™] Peer Review Rating by LexisNexis Martindale-Hubbell
Coastal Virginia Magazine, "Top Lawyers" -Medical Malpractice Defense 2020—2022
Go To Lawyer—Medical Malpractice Law; *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*, 2022

Education

The Catholic University of America, J.D., 1998
James Madison University, B.A., 1992

Bar Admissions

Virginia

Court Admissions

United States District Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit
Commonwealth of Virginia
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
North Carolina

Memberships

Virginia Bar Association—Healthcare and Litigation sections
Norfolk & Portsmouth Bar Association
Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys
Defense Research Institute
Virginia Association of Hospital Risk Managers