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Perry Coburn is a partner in the firm's Energy department and focuses his practice on electricity, natural gas, water, telecommunications, cable television and other public utility and regulatory matters. An experienced litigator, Mr. Coburn regularly represents businesses, industrial committees and other clients, both in regulatory, rulemaking and other proceedings before the Virginia State Corporation Commission; and in court cases pending in state and federal courts.

Before focusing on energy and public utility law, Mr. Coburn worked primarily in the area of business litigation, handling cases involving contract, business tort, and property loss disputes, including many that arose out of construction and development projects; real estate investments and acquisitions; property management and co-ownership arrangements; and other transactions affecting clients' interests in commercial realty or related improvements or operations.

Mr. Coburn is a member of the firm's Recruiting and Client Development committees.

Representative Regulatory Matters

- Public utility rate cases
- State Corporation Commission rulemaking proceedings

Representative Litigation Matters

- Products liability, business tort and contract actions
- Property loss disputes
- Construction disputes involving workmanship and design claims

EDUCATION

College of William & Mary, J.D., 2009

Trinity College, B.A., Economics, 2002

Faculty Honors List

ADMISSIONS

Virginia

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

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

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

RECOGNITIONS

- **Virginia Super Lawyers**
Business Litigation, 2020-2021
- **Virginia Rising Stars**
Business Litigation, 2015–2019

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- Author, *Product Liability Desk Reference*, Virginia chapter (Morton F. Daller ed., Aspen Law & Business 2018–2021)
- Co-author with Michael W. Smith and R. Braxton Hill, IV, *Product Liability Desk Reference*, Virginia chapter (Morton F. Daller ed., Aspen Law & Business 2009–2017)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- **Virginia State Bar**
Administrative Law Section
Environmental Law Section; Nominating Committee, 2021-2022
Local Government Law Section
Construction Law and Public Contracts Section
Handbook Committee, 2018–2021
- **Virginia Bar Association**
Construction and Public Contracts Section
Young Lawyers Division
- **The Bar Association of the City of Richmond**
Environmental and Energy Law Section
Litigation Section
Young Lawyers Section
Membership Committee, 2019–present; Chair elect, 2020–present
Judiciary Committee, 2017–2019; CLE Committee, 2015–2017; Communications Committee, 2012–2015
- **Energy Bar Association**
Member
- **Federal Bar Association, Richmond Chapter**
Federal Litigation Section
- **John Marshall American Inn of Court**
Barrister

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- **City of Richmond Ethics Reform Task Force**
City Council Appointee, 2017–2019
- **Legal Aid Justice Center, Pro Bono Clinic**
Volunteer, 2017
- **Virginia Bar Association Model Judiciary Program**
Richmond Region Coordinator, 2014–2017
Advisor/Coach to participating high schools, 2009–2010, 2016–2017
- **College of William & Mary Mock Trial**
American Mock Trial Association’s Williamsburg Regional Tournament, Judge, 2020
Colonial Classic Mock Trial Invitational Tournament, Judge, 2017–2018

- **University of Richmond School of Law Moot Court**

Harry L. Carrico Intrascholastic Moot Court Competition, Judge, 2017–2018

- **Virginia Bar Association National Moot Court Competition**

Judge, 2011, 2016–2017

- **Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Legal Aid Clinic**

Volunteer, 2009–2014, 2019