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John's practice focuses on representing individuals and businesses in commercial transportation, products, construction, and general liability matters in the state and federal courts throughout Virginia. John has tried over 40 cases to verdict and successfully resolved more through pretrial motions practice and various forms of alternative dispute resolution. Prior to joining Harman Claytor, John served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Beverly W. Snukals of the Circuit Court for the City of Richmond, Virginia.



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### **Professional Activities & Honors**

- Richmond Bar Association
  - o Communications Committee member (2020 2023)
  - Membership Committee member (2023 present)
- Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys
  - o Products Liability/Toxic Torts Sections
    - Vice-Chair (2023)
    - Chair (2023 present)
- Defense Research Institute
- Lewis F. Powell, Jr. Inn of Court (2019 present)
- Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars (2023)
  - o Personal Injury General: Defense

#### **Publications**

- Author, Res Ipsa Loquitur. Does It Really Speak for Itself? Journal of Civil Litigation, Vol. XXXV No. 4 (Winter 2024)
- Presentation, Excessive Force, Hanover County Criminal Justice Academy (February 2020)
- Co-Editor, Virginia Civil Benchbook for Judges and Lawyers (2019-2020 ed.)
- Author, Bargaining Towards Equality: The Effects of Implicit Bias Training on Plea-Bargaining, 21 RICH. PUB.
- INT. L. REV. 341 (2018)
- Co-Author, Personal Injury from A to Z: Damages Pt. 1 & 2, NATIONAL BUSINESS INSTITUTE (September 2017)

#### Education

- Virginia Commonwealth University, B.A., magna cum laude (2015)
- University of Richmond School of Law, J.D., cum laude (2018)

- o Richmond Public Interest Law Review, Manuscripts Editor
- o Moot Court Board, Member

## **Bar & Court Admissions**

- Virginia State Bar
- United States District Court for the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia
  United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit