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Chris has been engaged in the practice of law at the firm since 1983, concentrating his practice in the areas of real estate, commercial transactions, banking and bankruptcy.

He was born in Huntington, West Virginia and lived throughout the eastern United States before returning home to commence his legal practice.

Chris aided in the creation of a new, revised system for the sale of delinquent tax property in West Virginia. He has written and lectured on various topics in the areas of real estate, collection, corporate and bankruptcy law. He has served as an adjunct faculty member at Marshall University's Community College.

He has recently represented public and private entities in economic development projects throughout the tri-state area. He has also worked extensively to help clients establish efficient, affordable programs for addressing bankruptcy and collection problems.

Services

- Bankruptcy & Restructuring
- Private Client & Family Wealth Planning
- Real Estate
- Corporate & Transactional
- Leasing & Property Management
- Mineral Rights
- Acquisitions & Dispositions
- Compensation & Benefits
- Eminent Domain & Valuation
- Mercantile Title Agency, Inc.

Education

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., 1983)
- Vanderbilt University (B.A., *magna cum laude*)
 - Mathematics and Psychology

Bar Admissions

- Ohio
- West Virginia

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia

Affiliations/Memberships

- West Virginia State Bar
- American Bar Association
- West Virginia Law Institute

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers*®
 - "Lawyer of the Year" in Charleston for Real Estate Law (2016, 2018)
 - "Lawyer of the Year" in Charleston for Project Finance Law (2022)
 - Mining Law (2021-2024)
 - Project Finance Law (2021-2024)
 - Real Estate Law (2021-2024)
- *Chambers USA*®: *America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Corporate/Commercial, Real Estate
- *West Virginia Super Lawyers*®
 - Real Estate (2021)

Experience

Counseled Client Through a \$350 Million Asset Acquisition

We were counsel to a client on a \$350 million-plus acquisition of mining assets and reclamation liabilities in Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia and Tennessee.

Issuer's Counsel for \$23 million bond used for continuing care retirement community

We were Issuer's Counsel on a \$23 million bond issuance. The money was used to refinance \$18 million of previous bonds and \$5 million to upgrade the facilities at a non-profit continuing care retirement community.