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## **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P. (Washington, D.C.)  
Co-chair, Public Policy Group  
Equity Partner, May 2001 to Present

Pepperdine University School of Law (Malibu, California)  
Distinguished Visiting Practitioner in Residence, Fall 2010 (sabbatical)

Crowell & Moring LLP (Washington, D.C.)  
Equity Partner, January 2000 to April 2001  
Of Counsel, November 1997 to January 2000  
Associate, September 1990 to November 1997  
Summer Associate, Summer 1989

The American University, Washington College of Law (Washington, D.C.)  
Adjunct Professorial Lecturer in Law, Spring 1999  
Adjunct Lecturer in Law, Fall 1995

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Author or coauthor of over 137 *amicus* briefs on behalf of national and state business and civil justice organizations in cases before the United States Supreme Court, seven different federal appellate courts, twenty-nine different state courts of last resort, and seven different state appellate courts.
- Author or coauthor of over fifty scholarly articles in leading national journals and law reviews, including the Harvard Journal on Legislation, Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy, and Texas Review of Law & Politics.
- Frequent lecturer before legal and business organizations.
- Advisor to the American Legislative Exchange Council's (ALEC) Civil Justice Task Force.
- Co-counsel to the American Tort Reform Association (ATRA).
- Co-chair of the Tort and Product Liability Subcommittee of the Federalist Society's Litigation Practice Group.
- Counsel to the Coalition for Litigation Justice, a nonprofit formed by insurers in 2000 to address and improve the litigation environment for asbestos and other toxic tort claims.
- Experience testifying before Congress and numerous state legislatures.

## HONORS

- Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent Rated attorney.
- The International Who's Who of Product Liability Defense Lawyers 2012.
- Member, The American Law Institute (Since Oct. 17, 2008).
- Member, Product Liability Advisory Council, Inc.
- Member, Washington Legal Foundation Legal Policy Advisory Board (Since Oct. 2006).
- Member, NFIB Small Business Legal Center's Advisory Board (Since Mar. 2011).
- Named one of Washington D.C.'s "top lawyers" by Washingtonian magazine (Dec. 2007).
- Named to Business Insurance 2004 "40 Under 40" list.
- Recipient, Burton Award for Legal Achievement, a national awards program dedicated to rewarding effective legal writing (June 2001).
- Recipient of award in 2001 from several national organizations for major research contributing to civil justice issues.

## EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University School of Law (J.D., May 1990)

American Jurisprudence Award, Torts; Associate Articles Editor, Vanderbilt Law Review; Moot Court; Adviser, First Year Appellate Advocacy Program; Board of Governors, Vanderbilt Bar Association; Graduate Student Conduct Council; Phi Delta Phi.

University of Wisconsin-Madison (B.A., Economics, May 1987)

Dean's List (May 1986); Omicron Delta Epsilon (International Economics Honorary); Academic All-American (National recognition for scholastic, athletic, and community achievement) (Spring 1987); National Order of Omega (Greek Honor Society awarded for outstanding scholastic, Greek, and campus achievement) (Fall 1985); Chi Phi Fraternity (1983-87): Philanthropy Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, Athletic Chairman; Recipient of Sparks Award, awarded by Chi Phi National for highest graduating GPA in chapter (Spring 1987); Chi Phi Alumni Scholarship Award based on highest chapter GPA (Fall/Spring 1986); Chi Phi Alumni Scholarship Award based on highest pledge GPA (Spring 1984); Elected Member of Dorm Residents' Council (1984-1985).

Langley High School, McLean, Virginia (June 1983)

Eagle Scout (1982); "Who's Who Among American High School Students" (1983 & 1982); Virginia Boy's State (Summer 1982); Varsity Baseball (1983 & 1982).

## BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Virginia (Nov. 7, 1990)

District of Columbia (Mar. 13, 1991)

Supreme Court of the United States (Feb. 22, 1994)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (Feb. 9, 2007)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (Nov. 13, 1990)

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (Feb. 18, 2010)  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (Feb. 14, 2008)  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (Mar. 22, 2011)  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (Jan. 25, 1994)  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (Feb. 15, 1991)  
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia (May 6, 1992)  
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (Dec. 6, 1993)

**OTHER**

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio (Sept. 9, 1965).

Currently reside in McLean, Virginia.

Wife: Melissa Behrens.

Daughters: Brooke and Grace.

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