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Wade is an Officer in PennStuart's Abingdon, Virginia office and Chair of the firm's Commercial Litigation practice group. During his time with the firm, Wade has handled some of the firm's most difficult and complicated cases, including class actions, product liability, pipeline condemnations, and strike violence and misconduct. He has been lead counsel in over 200 cases in federal court in the Western District of Virginia and has appeared in over 20 different state circuit courts in Virginia. Wade has also tried cases in the state and federal courts in West Virginia and Tennessee, where he is also licensed.

In addition to work at the trial court level, Wade has briefed and argued numerous cases before the Supreme Court of Virginia and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He has also successfully represented clients before the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia and the Court of Appeals of Tennessee.

In recognition of trial and appellate work, Wade was selected to be a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2000.

### Representative Decisions

- *Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC v. 6.56 Acres of Land*, 915 F.3d 197 (4th Cir. 2019) (affirming order granting immediate possession in condemnation cases);
- *Bruce McDonald Holding Co. v. Addington, Inc.*, 241 W. Va. 451, 825 S.E.2d 779 (2019) (affirming summary judgment in a coal lease dispute);
- *Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. v. Yellow Poplar Lumber Co.*, No. 1:13CV00062, 2016 WL 6651395 (W.D. Va. Nov. 11, 2016) (deciding cross motions for summary judgment in mineral title dispute);

### Practices

Litigation

- Commercial Litigation
- Complex Litigation
- Business Torts
- Product Liability
- Appellate Practice

### Industry Experience

- Energy
- Transportation
- Pharmaceuticals

### Education

- University of Richmond School of Law, 1977
  - Law Review, Recent Decisions Editor
  - McNeill Law Society
- University of Virginia, 1974

### Bar Admissions

- Virginia, 1977
- West Virginia, 1996
- Tennessee, 2000

## Representative Decisions continued

- *Elkhorn-Hazard Coal Land, LLC v. Enterprise Mining Co.*, No. 13-108-ART, 2015 WL 711302 (E.D. Ky. Feb. 18 2015) (granting summary judgment in coal lease dispute);
- *Trigg V. Little Six Corp.*, 457 S.W.3d 906 (Tenn.Ct. App. 2014) (ordering arbitration for employment claims);
- *EQT Production Co. v. Adair*, 764 F.3d 347 (4th Cir. 2014) (reversing order granting class certification).

## Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of the United States, 1991
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, 1978
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2015
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 2018
- United States Court of Federal Claims, 2005
- United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, 1978
- United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, 1996
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, 2000
- Supreme Court of Virginia, 1977
- Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, 1996
- Supreme Court of Tennessee, 2000

## Honors & Distinctions

- American College of Trial Lawyers-Fellow
- American Bar Foundation-Fellow
- Virginia Law Foundation-Fellow
- Best Lawyers in America
- AV Preeminent Rating, Martindale-Hubbell



## Professional Activities

- Virginia Bar Association
  - Served on Executive Committee
  - Former Secretary
  - Served on Virginia CLE Board

**Professional Activities  
continued**

- National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation
- Virginia State Bar
  - former Faculty Member, Professionalism Course