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Patrick D. Hanlon is an associate in the Firm's Financial Services Litigation Group and maintains a focus on fiduciary litigation and trusts and estates matters.

Mr. Hanlon is an associate in Baker Donelson's Baltimore office and focuses his practice on representing and advising corporate and individual fiduciaries (inclusive of trustees and personal representatives) as well as beneficiaries in disputes arising from the administration of trusts and estates.

Mr. Hanlon is an effective advocate, and his practice spans across Maryland and the District of Columbia. He takes a strategic approach to seeking favorable outcomes for the Firm's clients, which often includes pursuing methods of alternative dispute resolution to efficiently resolve disputes. Mr. Hanlon frequently works with corporate and individual fiduciaries to resolve potential disputes prior to litigation and is experienced in preparing nonjudicial settlement agreements and other instruments for that purpose. In addition to his fiduciary litigation practice, Mr. Hanlon possesses experience in a broad range of commercial and civil litigation matters, and he has represented both individual and corporate clients.

While attending law school, Mr. Hanlon served in public defense offices in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Fredericksburg, Virginia, and provided legal assistance as a student attorney to indigent clients charged with misdemeanor offenses in rural Virginia.

Prior to joining Baker Donelson in 2021, Mr. Hanlon served as a law clerk to the Honorable Pamela J. White in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. He was later an associate attorney at a mid-sized civil litigation defense firm in Baltimore.

Representative Matters

- Won the dismissal of a case against a major bank in a federal breach of contract lawsuit based on the bank's oral offer to discount a letter of credit payoff.

Professional Honors & Activities

- Listed in Maryland Rising Stars by Super Lawyers for Civil Litigation: Defense (2023, 2024)
- Member – Maryland State Bar Association
- Member – Bar Association of Baltimore City
- Board Member – Friends of Great Kids Farm

Speaking Engagements

- Co-presenter – "A Year In Review of Fiduciary Disputes," a presentation for trust officers (April 2024)

Education

- Washington and Lee University School of Law, J.D., 2019
- University of Tennessee, B.A., 2016, cum laude

Admissions

- Maryland, 2019

- District of Columbia, 2022
- U.S. District Court of Maryland, 2021
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, 2021