

Cameron Kapperman

Associate

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Cameron Kapperman is an associate in Baker Donelson's Chattanooga office and a member of the Commercial Litigation Group.

Cameron assists clients with a wide range of litigation matters, including commercial litigation, construction litigation, eminent domain, and fiduciary-related litigation. As a litigator and trial attorney, he advocates for businesses, individuals, and fiduciaries faced with high-stakes, high-pressure situations, including taking matters to trial in venues across the country. Cameron is also a risk manager, helping his business clients anticipate and mitigate problems before they result in litigation.

Cameron's experience includes:

- <u>Commercial Litigation</u>. Cameron represents business entities, owners, and officers in a wide range of commercial disputes. He has brought and defended against lawsuits asserting breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, business torts, shareholder derivative claims, and commercial lease disputes, among others. Cameron has been listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch[®] in America* for Commercial Litigation each year since 2022.
- <u>Construction Litigation</u>. Cameron represents owners, general contractors, and subcontractors in construction-related lawsuits, as well as during pre-litigation negotiations. He has brought and defended against delay claims, construction and design defect claims, claims related to change of condition and/or change of scope, and breach of contract claims, among others. Cameron also assists with construction contract negotiation and drafting, as well as lien enforcement.
- <u>Eminent Domain Litigation</u>. Cameron represents private property owners in defending against condemnation actions, including during the right-to-take and valuation phases. As a member of Baker Donelson's Water Utilities Team, he is part of a nationwide trial team devoted to defending investor-owned utilities against municipal takeovers. Cameron also has experience representing property owners in tax valuation and assessment disputes.
- <u>Fiduciary Litigation</u>. Cameron frequently represents trustees, executors, beneficiaries, and other fiduciaries when trust or estate administrations require litigation support.

Representative Matters

- Prevailed in arbitration arising from a commercial lease dispute related to an exclusive use clause, resulting in an award of more than \$500,000 for the tenant due to the landlord's breach of contract.
- Represented a beneficiary and the proponent of a testator's Last Will in a will contest, where the issue of standing was appealed to the Tennessee Supreme Court, leading to a substantial clarification of relevant Tennessee law.
- Obtained complete victory in a three-week bench trial in federal court in a contractor dispute over interstate interchange construction, with the court awarding the full sought damages of \$3.2 million and fully denying counterclaims of more than \$4 million

Professional Honors & Activities

• Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*[®] *in America* for Commercial Litigation (2022 – 2026)

- Member Tennessee Bar Association
- Member Chattanooga Bar Association
- Member Inns of Court, Brock-Cooper Chapter
- Member State Bar of Georgia

Publications

• Case Note: "In re Estate of Tucker," No. E2014-021120COA-R3-CV, 2015 WL 7068134, 2015 Tennessee App. Lexis 901 (Tennessee Court of Appeals, Nov. 12, 2015), *Transactions: The Tennessee Journal of Business Law* (Spring 2016)

😌 Education

- University of Tennessee College of Law, J.D., 2016, magna cum laude
- Berry College, B.A., 2013, magna cum laude

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Admissions

- Tennessee, 2016
- Georgia, 2018