



## Jacob D. Baggett

Public Policy Advisor

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Jacob Baggett provides clients with strategic state legislative and regulatory guidance throughout Tennessee.

Mr. Baggett assists companies, organizations, and associations in navigating legislative and regulatory matters in Tennessee. He serves clients in industries such as manufacturing, health care, transportation, automotive, energy, real estate, and financial services, as well as educational institutions and local governments, and economic development districts. His work includes advising clients who interact with the state government on constructing plans around legislative and/or executive branch priorities and initiatives, assisting companies in negotiating economic incentives, and providing regulatory counsel. He also counsels clients in the beer, wine, and spirits sector, with particular experience in Tennessee liquor manufacturing as it relates to legislative and regulatory framework.

Prior to joining Baker Donelson, Mr. Baggett served as senior legislative advisor to Chairman Ken Yager of the Tennessee Senate Republican Caucus and consulted on election strategy for the Caucus, served as campaign manager for former Tennessee House Speaker Beth Harwell's campaign for governor in 2018, and practiced as a public policy attorney at a law firm in Tennessee. While in law school, he served as a judicial intern to Chief Justice Gary R. Wade of the Tennessee Supreme Court.



### Professional Honors & Activities

- Board Member – Tennessee Lobbyists Association (TLA)
- Board Member – Governor's Rural Education Foundation
- Board Member – Lincoln Memorial University-Duncan School of Law Alumni Association
- Member – Leadership Tennessee NEXT Class of 2025
- Executive Director – Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature Foundation (2021 – present)
- Law Student for Justice Pro Bono Service Award – Tennessee Supreme Court (2015)



### Publications

- "Tennessee's 2026 State of the State Address: Retrospective, Final Year Priorities, and Budget Details" (February 2026)
- "Preview of the 114th Tennessee General Assembly: Second Regular Session" (January 2026)
- "The 114th General Assembly Adjourns First Regular Session: An Overview" (April 2025)
- "Tennessee Governor Bill Lee's 2025 State of the State Address: Key Budget and Legislative Takeaways" (February 2025)
- "Tennessee General Assembly Special Session: Overview of Education Freedom Scholarships, Disaster Relief, Transportation, and Illegal Immigration Measures" (January 2025)
- "Governor Bill Lee Announces Special Session Beginning January 27" (January 2025)
- "A Preview of the 114th Tennessee General Assembly: First Session" (January 2025)
- "Deadline Nears for Tennessee Franchise Tax Refund Eligibility" (October 2024)
- "Tax Refund Process and Related Points Resulting from Constitutional Issue with Franchise Tax" (May 2024)
- "The 113th Tennessee General Assembly Adjourns *Sine Die* – Highlighted Overview" (April 2024)
- "Potential Tax Refunds Resulting from Constitutional Issue with Franchise Tax" (March 2024)

- "Gov. Lee's Strategy: A New Era for Tennessee's Growth & Prosperity" (February 2024)
- "Legislation Filed Addressing Potential Constitutional Issue with Franchise Tax" (January 2024)
- "Reduction in Tennessee State Budget Outlook and Tackling the Franchise Tax Problem" (January 2024)
- "New Legislation Proposed in Tennessee to Protect Against Deepfakes: ELVIS Act" (January 2024)
- "A Preview of the 113th Tennessee General Assembly: Second Regular Session" (January 2024)
- "In re Baby: Blessing or Problem Child?," 4 *Lincoln Memorial University Law Review* 4 (2016)
- "Federal Program Bribery, New Federalism, and the Missing Federal Interest," 4 *Lincoln Memorial University Law Review* 111 (2016)



## Education

- Lincoln Memorial University, John J. Duncan, Jr. School of Law, J.D., 2015, cum laude
  - Editor-in-Chief – *Lincoln Memorial University Law Review*
- East Tennessee State University, B.S., 2011, magna cum laude



## Admissions

- Tennessee, 2015