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Rick Cole is a skilled trial attorney who represents businesses and individuals in a wide range of complex litigation matters, including commercial contracts, construction, banking, real estate, defamation and employment, as well as trusts and estates disputes. He has considerable experience in high-stakes and bet-the-company litigation and consistently delivers top-notch outcomes for clients, both before and at trial.

BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale, Rick was a commercial litigation associate at a Virginia law firm. There, as lead attorney, he successfully defended seven-figure claims and obtained favorable verdicts on behalf of clients in multiple jury trials.

He also served as a law clerk for the Hon. David A. Oblon of the Fairfax County Circuit Court.

EDUCATION

- Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University (J.D., 2018)
- Dickinson College (B.A., 2013)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Fairfax Bar Association
- Virginia State Bar Association
- D.C. Bar Association
- Maryland Bar Association

ACCOLADES

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation (2025-present)
- Virginia Super Lawyers®, Rising Star (2024)
- Legal Elite, Virginia Business Magazine (2021-2024)

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Complex Commercial
Litigation

Litigation

ADMISSIONS

Florida

Virginia

District of Columbia

Maryland

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth
Circuit

U.S. District Court, Eastern
District of Virginia

U.S. District Court, District of
Columbia

U.S. District Court, District of
Maryland

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

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The Constitutional Insecurity of Security Smartphones

University of La Verne Law Review