



## RICHARD G. COLE, III

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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)
- Virginia Super Lawyers®, Rising Star (2024)
- Legal Elite, Virginia Business Magazine (2021-2024)

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Spring 2018

### 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

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