

## **JAMES W. ELLIOTT, JR.**

### *Curriculum vitae*

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Mr. Elliott's primary practice is in transactions and transactional litigation, with emphasis on construction contract law and municipal law. He is experienced in trial practice in both Tennessee and Virginia, as well as in the Federal Courts of both states. Mr. Elliott has been extensively involved in professional activities, including having served as the Chair of both the Legal Ethics Committee and the Judicial Selection Committee of the Virginia State Bar. He has served on several of the State Bar's other committees and on the Professionalism Committee of the Tennessee Bar Association. He is a member of the Tennessee and Virginia Bar Associations, a charter member of the Tennessee Association of Construction Counsel, a member of the Public Contracts section of the Virginia State Bar, and is a member of the American Bar Association, its litigation section, and the Forum Committee on the Construction Industry. He also is an associate member of the Associated General Contractors of America.

Mr. Elliott has been actively involved in the civic affairs of his community, having served on the Boards of Directors of the Children's Advocacy Center (a pro bono client), the YMCA, the Bristol Ballet Company, Volunteer Bristol, the Bristol Rotary Club, and the Board of Governors of Bristol Memorial Hospital. He currently serves on the board of the James H. Street Rotary Scholarship Foundation. Mr. Elliott and his wife Sharon live on a trout stream in Tennessee and in his spare time cycles and hikes the hills

and valleys of Tennessee, Virginia and North Carolina, and is an avid (if aging) competitor in ski racing.

Bar Admissions:

Virginia, 1967

Tennessee, 1990

U.S. Court of Appeals 4th Circuit, 1971

U.S. Court of Appeals 6th Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, 1967

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia, 1971

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, 1980

Education:

Washington and Lee University School of Law, Lexington, Virginia,  
1967

Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia,  
1964

Cases of Note:

*Town of Jonesville, et al v. Powell Valley Village Limited Partnership*,  
254 Va. 70, 487 S.E.2d 207, June 06, 1997 (representing successful  
appellee)

*Virginia Highlands Airport Authority v. Singleton Auto Parts, Inc.*, 277  
Va. 158, 670 S.E.2d 734, January 16, 2009 (representing successful  
appellant)

Classes/Seminars Taught:

Legal Ethics, Virginia State Bar

Legal Ethics - Conflicts, Commonwealth Law Group

Planning and Zoning, Lorman Group

Public Contract Procurement, Lorman Group

Seminar on Construction Law Issues for the construction  
management classes, East Tennessee State University

Professional Associations and Memberships:

Virginia State Bar Council

Former Representative from the 28th Judicial District of  
Virginia

Bristol, Virginia Bar Association  
Past-President  
Tennessee Bar Association  
Member  
Virginia Bar Association  
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Virginia State Bar  
Member  
Virginia Bar Association, Public Contracts Section  
Member  
Tennessee Association of Construction Counsel  
Member  
American Bar Association, Forum Committee on the Construction  
Industry  
Member  
Associated General Contractors of America

Past Employment Positions:

Kellam, Pickrell, Lawler, Hodges & Kellam 1967 - 1971  
White Elliott & Bundy, Principal, 1971 – 1993  
Elliott Lawson & Pomrenke, Principal, 1993 – 2004  
Elliott Lawson & Minor, Principal, 2004 - 2009

Pro Bono Activities:

Counsel to Children's Advocacy Center of Sullivan County, TN, 1998 –  
Present