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PROFESSIONAL:

FARRELL, WHITE & LEGG PLLC

Associate (October 2017 – Present)
Huntington, West Virginia

HON. THOMAS B. RUSSELL, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

Law Clerk (September 2015 – September 2017)
Paducah, Kentucky

SEILLER WATERMAN LLC

Summer Associate (May 2013 – October 2014)

EDUCATION:

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE SCHOOL OF LAW

Louisville, Kentucky
Juris Doctorate, 2015, *Magna cum Laude*

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Louisville, Kentucky
B.A. History, B.A. Political Science, 2012, *Summa cum Laude*

RENMIN UNIVERSITY

Beijing, China
Study Abroad in International Affairs, Summer 2011

SCHOLASTIC HONORS AND ACTIVITIES:

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE SCHOOL OF LAW

University of Louisville Law Review:

Editor in Chief (May 2014 – May 2015)

Member (May 2013 – May 2014)

Moot Court:

2015 Pirtle-Washer Moot Court Competition,
Champion
2014 National Moot Court Competition, Regional
Semifinalist, Second Highest Competition Brief
2013 First Year Oral Advocacy Competition,
Champion

Louis D. Brandeis Inn of Court, Pupil

Samuel L. Greenebaum Award for Achievement in Legal
Writing

Highest Grade:

Civil Procedure II, Contracts II, Basic Legal Skills,
Seminar: Constitutional Practice, and Federal
Income Taxation of Individuals

University of Louisville Student Government Association,
Chief Justice

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

Smith Endowed Scholarship (Highest Ranked Graduate
with B.A. in History)

Truman Scholar Nominee

McConnell Scholarship for Excellence in Leadership (Full
Tuition)

Trustee's Scholarship (Half Tuition)

American Collegiate Moot Court Association:

2012 National Competition, "Sweet Sixteen"
Finalist
2011 South Atlantic Regional, Finalist, 7th Ranked
Orator
2010 Southeast Regional, Elite Eight Finalist, 2nd
Ranked Orator

Undergraduate Research Fellow, Professor Thomas C.
Mackey

PUBLICATIONS:

*Forum Over Substance: Student Government Elections and First
Amendment Problems*, 53 U. LOUISVILLE L. REV. 559 (2016)

Prigg v. Pennsylvania and the Law of Slavery (2012) (B.A. thesis)

**PROFESSIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS:**

American Bar Association
Kentucky Bar Association
West Virginia State Bar

**ADMITTED TO
PRACTICE:**

Commonwealth of Kentucky (October 2015 – Present)
State of West Virginia (October 2017 – Present)
United States District Court for the Southern District of West
Virginia (October 2017 – Present)