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Laura A. Hoffman is an Associate practicing with the Labor & Employment practice group, focusing primarily on litigation. She practices out of the Firm's office in Charleston, West Virginia.

Laura is a seasoned litigator, having litigated claims in both federal and state courts, including deliberate intent claims and matters in employment law, construction, and public utilities. In addition to litigation strategy, Laura focuses on clear communication with her clients so they can rest easy when she is on the case.

Laura joined Jackson Kelly after working as a Senior Law Clerk to the Honorable Thomas E. Johnston, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia. She earned her Juris Doctor from West Virginia University College of Law, where she was a member of the *West Virginia Law Review* and the General Litigation Clinic. Prior to attending law school, she earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in accounting from West Virginia University.

In her spare time, Laura enjoys cooking, traveling, running, spinning, and cheering on the Mountaineers. As an animal lover, she most recently began fostering kittens, who are looking for a forever home.

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2020-Present)
- Honorable Thomas E. Johnston, Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, Senior Law Clerk (2018-2020)
- Kay Casto & Chaney, PLLC, Associate (2016-2018)
- Honorable Thomas C. Evans, III, Fifth Judicial Circuit for the State of West Virginia and the West Virginia Business Court, Law Clerk (2015-2016)

Practices

- Labor & Employment
- Litigation

Education

- West Virginia University College of Law (J.D., 2015)
 - CALI Award of Excellence: E-Discovery
 - *West Virginia Law Review*, Associate Editor
 - WVU Clinical Law Program, Student-Attorney

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- Social Chair WVU College of Law Class of 2015, Officer
 - Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, Member
 - National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Member
 - Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society, Member
- Lomonosov University - Geneva, Switzerland (International Trade Law Study Abroad Program , 2013)
- West Virginia University (B.S.B.A. in Accounting, 2012)
 - Honors College Scholar
 - President's List
 - Dean's List

Admissions

- West Virginia (2015)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2015)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2015)
- Supreme Court of Virginia (2016)
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of West Virginia (2018)

Professional Organizations

- Defense Trial Counsel of West Virginia
- West Virginia State Bar Association
- Virginia Bar Association

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Publications

- Practical Law: *West Virginia Employee Privacy Laws*, Thomson Reuters
- CourtWatch contributor for West Virginia Chamber of Commerce