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PRACTICE AREAS:

[Litigation](#)

[Utilities](#)

[Telecommunications](#)

[Energy](#)

[Commercial Litigation](#)

[Infrastructure](#)

STATE ADMISSIONS:

Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS:

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

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

EDUCATION:

J.D., West Virginia University
School of Law, 2015; Executive
Research Editor, West Virginia
Law Review

B.A., Hampden-Sydney College,
2012

Cody T. Murphey

MEMBER

Cody Murphey's practice focuses on the representation of regulated and non-regulated utilities in various matters before state and federal regulatory commissions. Cody's representation of utility companies, electric cooperatives, and other regulated entities includes regulatory proceedings involving rates, tariff revisions, affiliate transactions, and pole attachments. In his telecommunications practice, Cody assists competitive local exchange carriers and interexchange carriers in certification with the Virginia State Corporation Commission. Cody also represents competitive service providers in obtaining licenses to provide competitive energy service in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

In addition to his work in the energy sector, Cody represents building owners in commercial landlord tenant disputes and handles various commercial litigation matters.

Prior to joining Eckert Seamans, Cody served as an assistant attorney general in the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia, where he represented the interests of utility consumers before the State Corporation Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He also served as a judicial law clerk with the Honorable Joi Jeter Taylor and the Honorable M. Reilly Marchant of the Richmond Circuit Court.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Serves as outside general counsel to a Virginia electric cooperative.
- Represents Virginia electric cooperatives in rate proceedings and pole attachment disputes before the State Corporation Commission.
- Successfully represented a large landowner in a transmission line siting proceeding at the State Corporation Commission.
- Represented natural gas utility in various rate and complaint proceedings before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.
- Advises electric cooperatives on issues related to pole attachments.
- Successfully represented a natural gas marketer before the State Corporation Commission in successfully challenging bidder requirements for a request for proposal to manage a utility's portfolio of natural gas transportation and storage assets.
- Represented an association of electric cooperatives located within the Commonwealth in a proceeding before the State

Corporation Commission regarding net energy metering rules.

- Represented electric cooperative before the State Corporation Commission in a dispute with large manufacturing customer.
- Successfully represented an electric utility in a pole attachment rate dispute before the Federal Communications Commission.
- Represented competitive service providers in obtaining license to offer competitive service in the Commonwealth.
- Represented competitive local exchange and interexchange carriers in obtaining licenses to offer competitive service in the Commonwealth.
- Lead counsel to property owners in successful commercial landlord-tenant disputes.
- Successfully dismissed bar complaints against clients.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Virginia Bar Association
- Richmond Bar Association

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Pre-Trial Litigation

NEWS AND INSIGHTS

PUBLICATIONS

- "[Virginia Expands Regulation of Electric Cooperative Pole Attachments](#)," Eckert Seamans' Utilities & Telecommunications Update, April 2024.
- "[COVID-19 LEGAL UPDATE: Virginia Governor Ralph Northam's Executive Order No. 72](#)," Eckert Seamans' COVID-19 Legal Update, December 11, 2020.
- "[COVID-19 Legal Update: Virginia Executive Order Nos. 53 and 55](#)," Eckert Seamans' COVID-19 Legal Update, March 31, 2020.
- "Are Public Written Comments Admissible as Evidence?" *Administrative Law News*, Vol. XV, Issue 16 (Spring 2017).