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Michael Montgomery is a trial lawyer who routinely defends clients in high exposure litigation across a broad spectrum of industries, typically in the areas of product liability, construction, transportation, and general commercial litigation. Recent matters include the defense of national accreditation organizations against claims brought by universities and students, the defense of various manufacturers and general contractors in cases involving claims of catastrophic personal injury and property damage, and the representation of clients in proceedings before the Virginia State Corporation Commission. In addition, Mike has years of experience representing Class 1 and short line railroads in personal injury and property damage claims arising out of collisions and derailments.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- *Gabriel v. Albany College*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 116001 (D. Vt. Aug. 16, 2013)
- *Gabriel v. Albany College of Pharm. & Health Scis. – Vt. Campus (ACPHS)*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 143081 (D. Vt. Oct. 3, 2012)
- *Academy of Veterinary Homeopathy v. American Association of Veterinary State Boards*, 2012 Va. CIR. LEXIS 141 (Amherst Circuit Court, June 27, 2012)
- *Gabriel v. Albany College of Pharm. & Health Scis.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150082 (D. Mass. Jan. 3, 2011)
- *Jamerson v. Coleman-Adams Construction, Inc.* 280 Va. 490, 699 S.E.2d 197 (2010)
- *Hampton University v. Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education*, 611 F.Supp. 2d 557 (E.D. Va. 2009)
- *Downey v Allegheny Power Company*, 75 Va. Cir. 131, 2008 Va. Cir. LEXIS 23 (Greene Circuit Court, 2008)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys, Virginia State Chair
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U.S. District Court for the Eastern Districts of Virginia

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

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

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

EDUCATION:

J.D., cum laude, University of Richmond T.C. Williams School of Law, 1996

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AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America – Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants and Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Selected for inclusion in Virginia Business magazine's "Legal Elite" for Civil Litigation

NEWS AND INSIGHTS

PUBLICATIONS

- "The importance of indemnification language," Eckert Seamans' Construction Law Update, Spring 2017.
- "Should the insurer pay for non-approved contractor self-help?" Eckert Seamans' Construction Law Update, Spring 2014.