



## JASON M. ST. JOHN

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#### SERVICES

Cybersecurity and Privacy  
Appellate  
Restrictive Covenants Trade  
Secrets and Unfair  
Competition  
Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
Real Estate Litigation

#### INDUSTRIES

Food, Beverage and  
Agribusiness  
Food  
Beverage  
Agribusiness  
Insurance  
Telecommunications

Jason M. St. John is Chair of Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr's Litigation Practice. Jason has litigated commercial, contract, and real estate/land use disputes of all sizes - from large, complex "bet the company" litigation to smaller disputes between business entities or individuals.

His practice includes the representation of clients in a variety of commercial and contract disputes, including matters involving breach of contract, real estate, commercial leases, insurance, business fraud, restrictive covenants, shareholder disputes, Uniform Commercial Code issues, and assorted business torts such as claims for unfair competition, breach of fiduciary duty, defamation and First Amendment violations, misappropriation of trade secrets and tortious interference with contract, fraudulent transfers and veil piercing liability.

In his real estate and construction litigation practices, Jason represents builders, developers, property owners, retailers, property managers and guarantors. He has successfully litigated a multitude of commercial lease disputes involving ground, full service, net, double net, triple net, absolute triple net, and modified gross leases. He has also defended claims ranging from defects alleged in multi-unit residential dwellings to commercial building projects.

Jason has also handled a myriad of complex matters for wireless telecommunications carriers and tower companies involving constitutional issues, federal pre-emption as well as zoning, siting and permitting processes throughout Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia.

In addition to his trial experience, Jason has also handled dozens of preliminary injunctions and temporary restraining orders in federal and state courts throughout the country. He has participated in numerous complex litigation matters involving massive and complex electronic discovery issues. Jason assists clients in identifying their own sources of electronically stored information, as well as preservation and collection of electronically stored information for pending litigation.

In addition to his law practice, Jason was an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland School of Law where he taught courses in pre-trial civil litigation and appellate advocacy. He is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the

Third, Fourth and Ninth Circuits.

Jason serves on the boards of the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore, the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Board of Visitors, and the Sigma Phi Epsilon National Housing Corporation.

## HONORS

Recipient, *The Daily Record's* Leadership in Law Award, 2020

Named a "Local Litigation Star" in Maryland by *Benchmark Litigation*, 2015 to present

Named to *The Best Lawyers in America* list, Real Estate Litigation, 2020

Named to *The Best Lawyers in America* list, Commercial Litigation, 2019 to present

Recipient of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Star Award, 2016

Named to the VIP (Very Important Professionals) Successful by 40 list by *The Daily Record*, 2011

Selected for inclusion in Maryland *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2009 to present

## MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Director, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Board of Visitors, 2017 to present

Peer Review Committee of Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland

Baltimore County Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB)

Greater Baltimore Committee Leadership Program, 2010

Baltimore County Bar Association

- Member, Law Day Committee, 2013 to present

Baltimore City Bar Association

- Member, Judicial Selections Committee, 2013 to present

Maryland State Bar Association

Federal Bar Association

Trustee, The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore, 2012 to present

- Member, Membership Development Committee, 2012 to present

Trustee, Sigma Phi Epsilon National Housing Corporation

## EDUCATION

J.D., University of Maryland School of Law, 2000

- Member, Moot Court Board
- Morris B. Myerowitz Competition Finalist
- Recipient, Law School Alumni Association Award, for contributions to law school through character and leadership

M.B.A., University of Baltimore Merrick School of Business, 2000

B.S., University of Maryland, 1994, *cum laude*

- Phi Beta Kappa

## BAR ADMISSION

District of Columbia

Maryland

## FIRM INVOLVEMENT

Executive Committee Member

Litigation, Chair

Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Executive Committee Liaison