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Ben is a Member in the firm's Richmond office where he is a member of the Corporate and Public Finance Practice Group and the Consumer Finance Practice Group.

His practice focuses on public finance, transportation and local government matters, including traditional governmental finance, securities, state and local government law and public/private partnerships. In addition, Ben also has experience in litigation and regulatory compliance issues related to real estate finance; mortgage banking; federal consumer protection statutes; state lending, savings, and consumer protection laws; as well as various other consumer finance issues.

#### PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial
- Consumer Finance
- Corporate & Public Finance
- Government & Municipal Law

#### RECOGNITIONS AND HONORS

- *Best Lawyers in America; Ones to Watch*, 2021-2025
- *Virginia's Legal Elite; Virginia Business Magazine*, 2022-2024
- ChamberRVA MENTOR Richmond; Class of 2021
- Order of the Coif
- Manuscripts Editor, *University of Richmond Law Review*

#### ASSOCIATIONS

- Federal Bar Association, Richmond Chapter; Director
- Virginia State Bar; Civil Litigation Division
- National Association of Bond Lawyers
- Richmond Bar Association
- Local Government Attorneys of Virginia
- Newport News Bar Association
- The John Marshall American Inn of Court; Associate

#### ADMISSIONS

- Virginia, 2014
- Virginia State Courts
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia
- Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit Court
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

## EDUCATION

- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; B.A., 2009
- University of Richmond School of Law; J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014

## PRESS AND PUBLICATION

- 51 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to *Virginia Business Magazine's* "Legal Elite" 2024
- 51 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America* 2025, 7 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 13 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 53 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Virginia Business Magazine's* "Legal Elite" 2023
- 54 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America*© 2024, 6 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 10 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers In America*© 2023, 4 Named "Lawyer of the Year" and 8 Named "Ones To Watch"
- Clark J. Belote, Lauren S. Kadish, Randy C. Sparks Jr., and Benjamin A. Wills Elected Members at Kaufman & Canoles
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named *Best Lawyers in America*© 2022, 4 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 8 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 46 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*© 2021 and 5 Named "Lawyer of the Year and 7 Named "Ones to Watch"
- "Overdrafts & Error Resolution Procedures Under Reg. E," NAFCU Webinar Presenter, August 2019
- "Taking an 'Adverse Action,'" NAFCU Webinar Presenter, March 2019
- Consumer Finance Client Alert - December 2018: The Supreme Court of Virginia Affirms Finding That Borrower's Foreclosure Challenge is Barred Under the Statute of Limitations
- Consumer Finance Alert - July 2018: False (and Misleading) Hope: The FDCPA and Attempting to Collect Time-Barred Debts
- The Importance of FCRA Compliance
- Benjamin A. Wills, Esq. Joins Kaufman & Canoles