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Benny is an associate in the firm's Williamsburg office and a member of the Commercial and Real Estate Strategies Practice Groups. His previous service on the Williamsburg City Council lends a unique perspective on business and zoning matters. Benny remains extensively involved in the community and values the personal relationships involved in assisting clients.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial
- Real Estate Strategies
- Eminent Domain

RECOGNITION AND HONORS

- Williamsburg City Council; Councilmember, 2016-2020
- Thurgood Marshall Award; William & Mary Law School
- American Bar Association State and Local Government Award
- Center for the Study of Law and Markets Fellowship
- William & Mary Property Rights Fellowship
- I'Anson-Hoffman American Inn of Court
- William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal; Editorial Board
- Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference Journal; Editorial Board

ASSOCIATIONS

- Virginia Bar Association; Young Lawyers Division
- Williamsburg Bar Association
- American Bar Association; Young Lawyers Division, State & Local Government Law Section
- Hampton Roads Chamber's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee; Member
- William & Mary Asian Centennial Committee; Member
- American Planning Association; Virginia Chapter
- Literacy for Life; Acting President, 2017-present
- Williamsburg Community Foundation; Board of Trustees, 2020-present
- WHRO Public Media; Board of Directors, 2020-present
- Hampton Roads Alliance; 757 Recovery Placing Making & Marketing, 2020
- Virginia Transit Association; Vice President, 2018-2020
- Virginia First Cities; Board of Directors, 2017-2020
- Greater Williamsburg Chamber & Tourism Alliance Business Council; Board of Directors, 2018-2020
- Olde Towne Medical & Dental Center; Board of Directors, 2016-2020
- 2019 Commemoration First Representative Assembly Committee, 2016-2019
- Governor-Elect Transition Policy Council on Local Government, 2017

ASSOCIATIONS (CONT.)

- Virginia Municipal League Legislative Committee; Vice-Chair, 2017-2019
- Greater Peninsula Workforce Development Consortium; Board of Directors, 2016-2018
- City of Williamsburg Public Housing Advisory Committee, 2012-2019

ADMISSIONS

Virginia

EDUCATION

- The College of William & Mary; B.A., 2016
- William & Mary Law School, J.D., 2020

PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS

- Employment Law Alert Virginia's New Minimum Wage, February 2021
- Benming "Benny" Zhang Joins Kaufman & Canoles