

# Courtney Walsh

MEMBER

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## **COURT PRIMARILY FOCUSES HIS PRACTICE ON LITIGATING CASES RELATED TO UTILITY REGULATION, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND INSURANCE.**

He has a wide range of experience, including litigating matters in federal, state, and administrative courts, as well as serving in legal advisory and counseling roles during his military service. He has represented and advised clients in matters pending before the South Carolina Public Service Commission (SCPSC) and has litigated and offered counsel to project owners, developers, and contractors involved in complex construction projects. His commercial and regulatory practices also include representing and counseling companies, vendors, and contractors doing business with government entities at all levels. Court's commercial litigation practice has been consistently recognized by Best Lawyers in America.

Court graduated summa cum laude from the Citadel in 2001 and earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Florida in 2004. Afterwards, while serving in the military, he was competitively selected for advanced legal studies and earned a Master of Laws degree with a focus on environmental and natural resource law from Harvard Law School in 2011. He is licensed to practice in both Florida and South Carolina and is an active member of the Bar in both states.

Court retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and is a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His military awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, The Meritorious Service Medal, and the Iraq Campaign Medal.

## **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Administrative & Regulatory
- Business Litigation
- Construction Litigation

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Litigated cases for project owners, renewable energy developers, and engineers in complex construction-related disputes.
- Provided counsel on all legal and contractual aspects of construction projects to further their successful completion.
- Represented and advised solar and renewable energy developers in regulatory matters before courts, government agencies, and state public service commissions.
- Served as lead counsel for companies in dockets at the South Carolina Public Service Commission (SCPSC).
- Acted as lead counsel for an EV charging station manufacturer in various matters before the SCPSC.
- Served as a lead counsel for a solar developer in securing the first-ever SCPSC Siting Act approval for two 100 MW solar projects, which were the first non-fossil projects to go through the Siting Act process.
- Provided environmental counsel and due diligence services to commercial property owners and developers, implementing strategies to achieve their development goals.
- Served as litigation counsel for a property insurer in defending against coverage-related claims.
- Litigated and offered counsel to companies, vendors, and contractors conducting business with federal, state, and local government entities.

## RANKINGS AND RECOGNITION

- Best Lawyers in America
  - Commercial Litigation (2021-2025)
- South Carolina Supreme Court 'Pro Bono Honor Roll' (2020)
- Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
- The Meritorious Service Medal
- Iraq Campaign Medal

## PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "False Claims Act/Qui Tam Whistleblower Litigation," South Carolina Bar (2016)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Primary Legal Advisor, Marine Corps Infantry Battalion, Al-Anbar, Iraq ( 2009)
- Environmental and Land Use Counsel, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, AZ (2011-2013)

## PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

### Professional

- South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Board (2024-2028)



- Richland County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
  - Forum on Construction Law
- Florida Bar
  - Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section
    - Construction Law Committee
- South Carolina Bar
  - Construction Law Section
  - Administrative and Regulatory Law Committee
- South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys Association

## Community

- Ancient Order of Hibernians, St. Columba Division
- Knights of Columbus
- St. Joseph Catholic Church

## CREDENTIALS

### Bar Admissions

- South Carolina Bar
- Florida Bar

### Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida

### Education

- Harvard Law School, LLM (2011)
  - Environmental and Natural Resources Law concentration
- University of Florida, J.D., *magna cum laude* (2004)
  - Order of the Coif
  - Moot Court
- The Citadel, B.A., *summa cum laude* (2001)

## RELATED INDUSTRIES

- [Corporate and Business](#)
- [Energy and Public Utilities](#)



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