

# Benjamin Gooding

## MEMBER

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Ben focuses his practice in the areas of appellate advocacy, professional negligence, and commercial litigation. As a former appellate law clerk, Ben offers a valuable perspective on briefing and arguing issues before an appellate court. While at Robinson Gray, Ben has written numerous appellate briefs on a variety of legal issues at the state and federal level. He also has experience representing attorneys and law firms in legal malpractice actions in both state and federal courts. Ben's business litigation practice covers a wide variety of business disputes, including banking litigation, legal actions between members of an LLC, commercial landlord/tenant disputes and securities arbitration. Ben's undergraduate studies in business and finance provide him with necessary background to understand the functions, operations, and complexities of the businesses he represents.

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Appellate Practice Group
- Commercial Litigation
- Professional Liability and Ethics
- Securities and FINRA

## ADMISSIONS

- South Carolina Bar
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina

## EDUCATION

- University of South Carolina School of Law, J.D., *cum laude* (2012)
  - South Carolina Law Review, Research Editor
  - Order of Wig and Robe
  - Order of the Coif
  - CALI Award for Advanced Legal Writing
- University of Georgia, Terry College of Business, B.B.A. in Finance, *magna cum laude* (2009)
  - UGA Honors Program
  - Leadership (L.E.A.D.) Fellow, Institute for Leadership Advancement

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- South Carolina Bar
  - Trial and Appellate Advocacy Section, Council Member
- Richland County Bar Association
- South Carolina Bankers Association
- South Carolina Bar Young Lawyers Division
  - Backpack Drive Committee (2015-present)
- South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association

## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

- The Honorable H. Bruce Williams, South Carolina Court of Appeals (2012-2014)

## HONORS & AWARDS

- South Carolina Super Lawyer Rising Star
  - Business Litigation (2019-2020)
  - Appellate (2018)
- *Columbia Business Monthly* Legal Elite of the Midlands
  - Business Litigation (2019-2020)
- *Columbia Business Monthly* Best and Brightest 35 and Under (2019)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- 20 Years Strong Service Project: Back to School Back Pack Drive
- Ezekiel Ministries (formerly Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia)
  - Board of Directors (2016-present)
- Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce
- South Carolina Chamber of Commerce
- South Carolina Wildlife Federation
  - Board of Directors (2017-present)