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PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Compton Jones Dresher Birmingham, Alabama

Associate Attorney September 2020 to Present

Practicing primarily in: 1) Multi-family housing, as well as affordable housing and community development matters — especially those involving low income housing tax credits, new markets tax credits, historic tax credits and opportunity zone investments.

2) Regulatory and growth & expansion activities of financial institutions — including merger and acquisition activity, enforcement matters, and development of new products.

Mercedes-Benz U.S. International, Inc. Vance, Alabama

Associate Counsel January 2018 to September 2020

MBUSI, opened in 1995, is the first large Mercedes-Benz production plant outside of Germany and the first automotive manufacturing location in the State of Alabama. It is the second largest automotive exporter in the US, building the GLS, GLE, GLE Coupe exclusively for the world market. Since 1997, more than 3.2 billion vehicles have been built at MBUSI.

Assisted with real estate acquisition and development for use as industrial manufacturing sites; helped negotiate government incentives and managed economic development requirements; reviewed procurement contracts for parts, equipment, and software/SaaS licenses; trained coworkers and managed internal compliance regulations; assisted Mercedes' affiliates with real estate needs; advised on customs, tax, and environmental issues.

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Donovan Fingar, LLC Birmingham, Alabama

Associate 2017 to 2018

Donovan Fingar provides comprehensive legal advice in the fields of real estate development, acquisition, disposition and financing, commercial and retail leasing, state and local tax law, and condominium and homeowner association law.

Borrower/investor's counsel for commercial and retail property acquisition; reviewed potential investment properties for outstanding lease restrictions, zoning issues, CAM, and environmental risks; state and local tax controversy.

Liles & Rushin, LLC Birmingham, Alabama

Associate Clerk, Part Time 2016 to 2017 2012 to 2013

Liles & Rushin (now a part of Jones Walker) was well known throughout the housing industry for its high level of knowledge representing investors and lenders in Low Income Housing Tax Credit matters around the country.

Lender's counsel for institutional LIHTC investor; managed all due diligence including survey, title, endorsement, builder's risk and property insurance; prepared and distributed post-closing transcripts.

Adams and Reese, LLP Mobile. Alabama

Associate 2015 to 2016

Adams and Reese attorneys advise a variety of real estate clients – investors, portfolio managers, developers, lenders, and more – on real estate transactions and litigation throughout the United States.

Borrower's counsel for large, multi-state timber management firms and related investors; managed survey and title issues for several-thousand acre acquisitions; advised on related partnership formation, dissolution, and tax issues.

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ThyssenKrupp Steel USA, LLC (now AM/NS Calvert) Mobile, Alabama

Economic Analyst 2010-2011

Cost Modeling, Economic Forecasting

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center

Master of Laws, Taxation, 2015

Cumberland School of Law

Juris Doctor 2014, Top One-Third

- Merit Scholarship, Louise and Henry P. Johnston Scholarship
- American Journal of Trial Advocacy
- Scholar of Merit in Legal Process
- Federalist Society Vice President and Treasurer
- Phi Alpha Delta

University of Alabama

Master of Arts, Economics, 2010

Emphasis on Time-Series Econometrics and Forecasting

Auburn University

Bachelor of Science, Finance and Economics, 2009