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Jake Oresick

Senior Associate

Mr. Oresick is a Senior Associate of the firm and a member of the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution, Employment, and Real Estate practice groups.

Mr. Oresick is an experienced litigator who represents businesses and individuals in a broad range of complex disputes. His practice includes commercial litigation, labor and employment, real estate and landlord-tenant matters, construction, insurance coverage and bad faith, and environmental law. He combines strategic analysis with practical problem-solving to deliver effective and efficient results for his clients.

Before entering private practice, Mr. Oresick clerked for judges in the Courts of Common Pleas of Allegheny, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties, gaining valuable insights into judicial decision-making. During law school, he served as a teaching assistant in Legal Analysis and Writing. He completed internships with the Honorable Joy Flowers Conti of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and the Honorable John T. Bender of the Pennsylvania Superior Court.

Representative Services

- Commercial and Business Litigation
- Employment and Labor
- Real Estate and Landlord–Tenant Disputes
- Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
- Construction Law
- Environmental Law

Education

- 2012 J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law
- 2012 M.S., Carnegie Mellon University, Public Policy and Management
- 2006 B.A., cum laude, John Carroll University

Professional & Community Activities

- Chair, Judiciary Committee, Allegheny County Bar Association
- Council member, Federal Court Section, Allegheny County Bar Association
- Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Member, West Deer Township Planning Commission

Selected Engagements

- Defended private K-12 school and reached favorable resolution of civil rights claims.
- Defended skilled nursing facility and reached favorable resolution of age discrimination claims.
- Represented school district seeking redress for faulty construction of elementary school.
- Defended insurers and reached favorable resolutions of homeowners' property coverage disputes.
- Defended insurer in bad faith action arising from claims for first-party property damage and business income coverage stemming from a lightning strike at a manufacturing facility.

Awards & Recognitions

- 2023 – 2025 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® from The Best Lawyers in America®
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Litigation – Environmental
  - Environmental Law
  - Insurance Law
- Co-authored *The Pittsburgh Novel: Western Pennsylvania in Fiction and Drama, 1792–2022*
- Authored *The Schenley Experiment: A Social History of Pittsburgh's First Public High School*

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Practice Groups

- Employment
- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Real Estate

Bar Admission

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- State of West Virginia
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of West Virginia

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