

# Liam J. Montgomery

## Partner

Liam Montgomery focuses on complex civil trials, principally in matters relating to life sciences, products liability, antitrust, and banking, financial, and actuarial services. Liam has tried numerous cases, including two as the first chair attorney. In recent years, he has managed and led civil and criminal jury trials and arbitrations for national banks, international consulting firms, Fortune 50 companies, and individuals in federal and state courts across the country.

Selected to the Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll for seven consecutive years, Liam's active pro bono practice focuses on veterans' causes, criminal defense and appeals, and landlord tenant matters. Liam is a member of the Board of Directors of the Network for Victim Recovery of DC, a non-profit that provides free legal and social services to the victims of crimes. He is also an active member of the firm's Pro Bono and Diversity and Inclusion Committees.

Prior to his legal career, Liam served in the United States Navy for more than eleven years as a naval flight officer and forward air controller (airborne) flying the F-14 Tomcat. Liam completed three deployments on board aircraft carriers, including a deployment to the Arabian Sea after 9/11 in support of operations in Afghanistan.

## Representative Experience

Though all cases vary and none is predictive, Liam's recent experience includes:

- Representation of the family of an inventor in a patent licensing trial that resulted in a \$309 million jury verdict in favor of the client.
- Representation of Fortune 500 companies in nationwide mass tort and product liability litigation in both federal and state courts.
- Representation of a major national bank in a two-week arbitration hearing against its vendors alleging more than \$300 million in damages.
- Lead trial counsel in jury trial representing a criminal defendant charged with armed robbery and other felony offenses.
- First-chair arbitration hearing representation against a fraudulent home contractor, resulting in a judgment for more than \$2 million in compensatory and punitive damages and attorneys' fees for the



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## Education

University of Virginia School of Law,  
J.D., 2008: Order of the Coif; Senior  
Editorial Board, Virginia Law  
Review; Roger and Madeleine  
Traynor Prize; Virginia Trial  
Lawyers Association Trial Advocacy  
Award  
Duke University, B.A., with distinction,  
1994

## Recognitions

Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2011-  
2016

## Admissions

Maryland  
District of Columbia  
United States Court of Appeals for the  
Fourth, Fifth, Federal, and District of  
Columbia Circuits  
United States Court of Appeals for  
Veterans Claims  
United States Department of Veterans'  
Affairs  
United States District Courts for the  
District of Columbia and Maryland

client.

- Lead associate in a challenge before the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to the multi-year delays in the VA's handling of disability benefits appeals.

## **Government Service**

United States Navy, Naval Flight  
Officer, 1994-2005

## **Resources**

### Publications

- *FDA Regulation of Dietary Supplements: How We Got Here and What Lies Ahead*, May 2019
- *The Unrealized Promise of Section 1983 Method-of-Execution Challenges*, December 2008