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PRACTICES

Litigation & Investigations

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina
School of Law
University of North Carolina

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia Bar
North Carolina State Bar

SAVIAN GRAY-SOMMERVILLE

ASSOCIATE



Professional Background

Savian Gray-Sommerville focuses his practice on Litigation & Government Investigations. His experience includes commercial, civil, criminal, and environmental litigation. Savian also regularly counsels clients on regulatory compliance matters spanning several sectors and represents them in government investigations.

In addition to frequently representing Fortune 500 Companies, Savian has worked for various government entities. His judicial experience includes clerking for the Chief U.S. District Court Judge for the Western District of North Carolina and the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. Additionally, Savian worked at the United States Attorney's office for the Eastern District of North Carolina in both the Criminal and Appellate Divisions.

Savian is experienced with forecasting and handling all sorts of potential and actual disputes. He understands all phases of the investigations, litigation, and appellate process. As a result, Savian vigorously advocates for his clients and aims to resolve disputes before trials and or appeals become necessary.

When not practicing law, Savian enjoys hiking, traveling, and serving his community. As a double Tar Heel, Savian cheers for only two teams: UNC, and whoever's playing against Duke!

Representative Experience

- Represented various Fortune 500 Companies, assessed liability exposure; devised litigation strategy; negotiated with opposing counsel; managed discovery process; drafted interrogatories, motions, and internal memorandum; conducted depositions; and advocated before tribunals.
- Devised litigation strategy and managed cases involving claims of Fraud, Constructive Fraud, Negligent Misrepresentation, Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices, and various criminal misdemeanors and felonies.

Government Service

United States District Court W.D.N.C., Chief Judge Frank D. Whitney, Charlotte, NC

Summer Law Clerk, July 2019–August 2019

North Carolina Supreme Court, Chief Justice Paul M. Newby, Raleigh, NC

Summer Law Clerk, May 2019–June 2019

Durham City Council, Mayor Steve M. Schewel, Durham, NC

Research Analyst, January 2017–May 2017

U.S. Department of Justice, United States Attorney's Office, Raleigh, NC

Student Trainee, December 2014 – December 2015

Articles and Presentations

- Indicting Chinese Hackers: Why Bother?, North Carolina Journal of Law and Technology, Issue February

2019, 02/01/2019

- The Fight Over Data Privacy Regulations: Is it about Consumer Privacy or Preventing Liability?, North Carolina Journal of Law and Technology , Issue December 2018, 12/01/2018

Alerts

- DOJ Restores Supplemental Environmental Projects in a Slate of Environmental Justice Initiatives, 05/12/2022