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Julie E. Merow is an Associate practicing in the Banking & Finance practice group, focusing primarily on municipal finance matters. She practices out of the Firm's office in Charleston, West Virginia.

Julie has experience serving as bond counsel on public financing projects, including economic and infrastructure development projects. Her practice focuses on public finance, municipal and tax-exempt bonds, and government relations with an emphasis on water and wastewater projects throughout West Virginia. Julie also has experience serving as underwriter's counsel and working in securities law, including blue sky filings, assisting in preparing offering materials, and performing due diligence for commercial and public transactions.

Julie earned a Bachelor of Science degree in public relations from West Virginia University, Reed College of Media. She then earned a Juris Doctor from West Virginia University College of Law. Prior to joining Jackson Kelly, Julie worked as a litigation associate and performed regulatory and policy work for corporate clients.

In her free time, Julie loves being outdoors, entertaining and cooking for friends and family, and following college sports. She is a devoted WVU and LSU fan, with a goal to see as many football and baseball stadiums as possible.

Awards

- American Bar Association "Star of the Quarter," First Quarter, 2022-2023 (Fall)
- American Bar Association "Star of the Quarter," First Quarter, 2024-2025 (Fall)
- Named a West Virginia *Super Lawyers*® *Rising Star* for Government Finance (2023-2024)

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2022-Present)
- Lewis Glasser PLLC, Summer Associate (2018 and 2019), Associate (2020-2022)
- MacCorkle Lavender, PLLC, File Clerk (Spring 2019)
- West Virginia University Title IX Legal Department, Graduate Assistant (Fall 2019)
- Office of United States Senator Joe Manchin, Press Intern (2017)

Practices

- Business Law
- Banking & Finance
- Municipal & Tax-Exempt Bonds
- Economic Development

Industries

- Financial Services
- Public Finance

Education

- West Virginia University College of Law (J.D., 2020)
 - American Bar Association, Communications, Publications & Outreach, Delegate
 - WVU Student Government, Graduate & Student Affairs, Vice President
 - Monongalia County Magistrate Court, Mediator
 - Harrison County Magistrate Court, Mediator
- West Virginia University, Reed College of Media (B.S. in Public Relations, 2017)
 - Student Body President, Student Government Senate Vice Chair, Senator of the Year
 - Mortar Board Honorary, Student Conduct Board, University Student Ambassador
 - Named one of six *"Most Influential Mountaineers of 2016"*
 - Chi Omega Sorority, Theta Chapter, Vice President and Treasurer

Admissions

- West Virginia (2020)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2020)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2020)

Professional Organizations

- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Pathfinder Program Nominee (2024)
- West Virginia Rural Water Association, Member
- West Virginia Municipal League, Member
- Women for Economic and Leadership Development (WELD), Member
- American Bar Association
 - West Virginia State Membership, Chair (2022 – 2025)
 - Liaison to the Standing Committee on Continuing Legal Education
 - Young Lawyers Division Council
 - District Representative (WV/OH) (2021 – 2023)
 - Young Lawyers Division Editorial Board
 - Programming Director, Cabinet Member
 - Associate Editor
- National Association of Bond Lawyers, Member
- ABA Infrastructure and Regulated Industries Section, Member

Community

- Education Elevators, Volunteer (2023-present)
- West Virginia University Alumni Association, Greater Kanawha Chapter, Board Member
- Chi Omega Sorority, Theta Chapter, Advisor (2021-Present)
- Rosenbaum Family House, Volunteer (2011-2020)
- Morgantown High School Alumni Foundation, Board Member (2013-2019)
- Make A Wish Foundation, Volunteer (2010-2017)

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Panelist, "WV Young Lawyers Panel for Marshall Pre-Law Students," Marshall University, Huntington, WV (October 2, 2023)