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M. Shane Harvey is a Member of the Firm and practices out of the Firm's office in Charleston, West Virginia. He leads the Firm's Environmental Practice Group and Coal Industry Group, and is a member of the Firm's Executive Committee. *The Best Lawyers in America*[®] named him "Lawyer of the Year" in Charleston, WV for Environmental Law in 2021 and Mining Law in 2020 and 2023.

Shane frequently litigates complex commercial and environmental matters and counsels clients on a variety of compliance issues. He has significant experience in both law and business, having served as in-house counsel and general counsel for energy companies for more than a decade. He has handled many high-profile crises and counsels clients on crisis management planning and response. Shane understands the need for practical legal advice from the client's perspective - he knows his clients want the right answer, as quickly and as cost-effectively as possible.

Awards

- Named *The Best Lawyers*[®] 2023 Charleston, West Virginia Mining Law "Lawyer of the Year"
- Named *The Best Lawyers*[®] 2021 Charleston, West Virginia Environmental Law "Lawyer of the Year"
- Named *The Best Lawyers*[®] 2020 Charleston, West Virginia Mining Law "Lawyer of the Year"
- West Virginia *Super Lawyers*[®] - Energy & Natural Resources Law (2016-2020)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*[®] - Commercial Litigation, Environmental Law, and Mining Law (2017-2025)

Notable Legal Experience

Commercial and Construction:

- Represented multiple construction and engineering clients in bid and contract disputes
- Represented multiple clients in condemnation actions
- Represented multiple banking clients in lender liability actions

Enforcement and Cleanup:

- Represented publicly traded energy company in enforcement and cleanup efforts following highly publicized spill affecting waterways in multiple states

Clean Water Act Litigation:

- Represented multiple publicly traded energy companies in CWA enforcement actions

Environmental Disclosures to SEC:

- Represented publicly traded companies in environmental disclosures made in public filings with the SEC

Environmental Crisis Management, Planning, and Counseling:

- Counseled publicly traded companies on crisis management planning

Permitting Appeals:

- Represented multiple clients in permit appeals under numerous environmental statutes

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2011-Present)
- Alpha Natural Resources, Inc. (2011)
- Massey Energy Company (2000-2011)
- Jackson Kelly PLLC (1994-2000)
- Goldman Sachs (1991)

Practices

- Appellate
- Environmental
- Government Relations
- Renewable Energy

Industries

- Coal
- Energy
- Hotels & Hospitality
- Oil & Gas
- Cannabis Law
- Utilities
- Mining

Education

- West Virginia University College of Law (J.D., 1994)
 - *West Virginia Law Review*, General Editor
- Virginia Tech (B.A. in Finance, *summa cum laude*, 1991)
 - Graduated first in Finance class (1991)
 - Virginia Tech Finance Student of the Year (1991)

Admissions

- West Virginia (1994)
- U.S. Supreme Court (2009)
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit (2016)
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of West Virginia (1994)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (1994)
- West Virginia Supreme Court (1994)

Professional Organizations

- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation, Trustee

Speaking Engagements & Publications

- Co-presenter with **Michelle Elmore Wooton**, "It's Heating Up: the Opportunities and Challenges of Renewable Development," EMLF 43rd Annual Institute, Omni Amelia Island Resort, 9Fernandina Beach, Florida, June 12-14, 2022)
- EMLF Fall Institute, Speech, "40th Anniversary of SMCRA" (Lexington, Kentucky, Oct. 2017)
- AAPL 61st Annual Meeting, Co-presenter, with Aaron S. Heishman, "Lessons from the Anti Coal Movement: The Next Attack on the Oil and Gas Industry" (Nashville, Tennessee, June 17, 2015)
- WVONGA Spring Seminar: Co-presenter, with Aaron S. Heishman, "What the Oil and Gas Industry Can Expect from the Sierra Club" (Wheeling, West Virginia, May 13, 2015)
- AAPL Appalachian Land Institute: Speech, with Aaron S. Heishman, "Lessons Learned from the Coal Industry: The Next Attack on Oil and Gas" (Washington, Pennsylvania, Oct. 3, 2014)

Community

- Putnam County Youth Sports, Coach
- Summers County (West Virginia) Student Scholarship, Founder