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Philip A. “Andy” Schlimmer is a Member in the Real Estate and Oil and Gas industry groups, focusing primarily on real estate development, land acquisition, and commercial real estate transactions. He practices out of the Firm’s office in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and leads the Firm’s Pennsylvania real estate practice.

Andy routinely represents and advises clients through all phases of real estate development in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. His work involves all aspects of land acquisition, land use and zoning, and curative title work. He has extensive experience guiding clients through the entire process of commercial real estate development. Whether the project involves retail shopping strips, multi-family residential housing, or planned unit communities, Andy’s knowledge and expertise has proven to be an asset to his clients.

Andy has led developers and new homebuilders throughout the Western Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh region through the arduous task of developing planned unit communities. He is well-versed in the dedication and formation of planned unit communities, homeowners’ associations, and other site development issues faced by new homebuilders. His unique skillset has allowed him to represent national and regional new homebuilders and developers through all phases of development.

In addition to his real estate development practice, Andy is an agent for three title insurance companies. Andy regularly issues title insurance policies insuring developers and national Fortune 500 companies in land acquisition and development projects in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, including new construction and buildouts for retailers.

More recently, Andy has advised solar developers in the acquisition of land concerning large-scale solar development sites in Pennsylvania. Whether negotiating on behalf of solar developers or drafting solar agreements, Andy is quite familiar with the nuances of land acquisition in connection with new solar developments.

Andy is also well-versed in the oil and gas industry. With nearly a decade of oil and gas title experience, he has drafted and produced drilling title opinions covering oil and gas developments throughout the Appalachian Basin. Andy has also counseled oil and gas exploration and production companies regarding all aspects related to the acquisition of leasehold and mineral interests.

When he’s not working, Andy enjoys spending time with his wife and American Bulldog, Bruiser. An avid all-around sports fan, Andy’s favorite team to follow is the Carolina Panthers. He also has succumbed to the pressure from Pittsburgh sports fans and now follows the Pittsburgh Pirates. Who knows, maybe one day he will become a Steelers fan.

Awards

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® “Ones to Watch” for Mergers & Acquisitions Law, 2022

Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2022-Present)
- Bowles Rice LLP, Associate (2014-2020), Partner (2021-2022)
- Citizen Advocacy Center, Elmhurst, Illinois, Legal Clerk (2013)
- Davidson County (NC) Attorney's Office, Legal Clerk (2010-2011)

Practices

- Business Law
- Real Estate
- Renewable Energy

Industries

- Energy
- Oil & Gas

Education

- Ohio Northern University Claude W. Pettit College of Law (J.D., 2012)
- Presbyterian College (B.A. in Political Science, 2009)
 - Football Team, Starting Kicker (2005-2006)

Admissions

- Pennsylvania (2013)
- West Virginia (2015)
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania (2013)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2015)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2015)

Professional Organizations

- Energy & Mineral Law Foundation
- Washington County Bar Association

Community

- Allegheny County Bar Association Basketball League
- Generation Mid-Ohio Valley, Former Fellowship/Networking Chair
- Generation West Virginia, Former Board Member

Speaking Engagements & Publications

Speaking Engagements

- Presenter, "Legal Descriptions, Title Insurance and Surveys in Real Estate Transactions — Unearth Hidden Issues and Put Them to Rest," National Business Institute Online Seminar, Dec. 3, 2020