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Charlie maintains a diverse national litigation and regulatory practice, offering forward-thinking advice and holistic strategies to clients across industries and issues.

Charlie has successfully represented public and private companies in federal and state courts, mediations, and arbitrations. His litigation experience encompasses environmental tort claims, including nuisance, negligence, and land use disputes. He has also represented clients for and against claims of breach of contract, trademark infringement, false advertising, various torts, and foreign sovereign immunity.

Charlie's advocacy further extends to clients' regulatory and compliance issues. He assists clients in navigating the complexities of local, state, and federal rules and regulations. Charlie also has experience advising telecommunications clients in rights-of-way disputes and infrastructure deployment.

Charlie maintains a robust pro bono practice. His experience ranges from representing clients seeking asylum in the United States to advocating for regulatory protections for certain endangered species. Charlie has also advised a youth development and sustainable agriculture non-profit organization in Puerto Rico. He additionally works with D.C.'s Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless as a phone intake volunteer and advocate.

Charlie previously served as a Legal Fellow with the Green Buildings Subcommittee of the Office of the Mayor of Nashville's Sustainability Advisory Committee, where he reviewed sustainability proposals, initiatives, and policy, and proposed green building-related programs for greater sustainability in Nashville. He also interned with Global Rights Compliance in The Hague.

Before entering law school, Charlie was a project manager for a construction company in Seattle, Washington. His oversight of soil, marshland, and water remediation projects, including LEED Gold v3 Core & Shell mixed-use construction, informs his legal perspective and client advocacy.

Education

- Boston College (B.A., *cum laude*, 2015)
 - International Studies
 - French

- Vanderbilt University (J.D., 2020)
 - Executive Authorities Editor, Environmental Law and Policy Annual Review; Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court – District of Columbia
- U.S. Court of Appeals - D.C. Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals – Fifth Circuit

Publications

- *Hold the High-Water Line: A Transnationally Informed Coastline Protection Scheme in the United States.* 53 VAND. J. TRANSNAT'L. L. 713 (2020).