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Practices

Employment & Labor Law

Litigation

Education

University of Virginia School of Law,
J.D., 2015

- Editor-in-Chief, The Journal of Law & Politics, Volume 30
- James M Shoemaker, Jr., Award Recipient as a Spring 2015 Finalist, William M. Lile Moot Court Competition
- Fulbright & Jaworski LLP Best Memo Award Recipient, Legal Research & Writing Course

Clemson University, B.A., 2012,
summa cum laude

- Honors College graduate
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Norris Medal Recipient

Admissions

South Carolina

An Associate with Nexsen Pruet's employment and labor group, Rhett Ricard is known for his skills and experience in the courtroom. He brings his tenacious energy and commitment to ensuring the best possible outcome for clients to every matter.

Before joining Nexsen Pruet, Rhett built his legal career in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving as a prosecutor on board Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, South Carolina. Rhett prosecuted over 60 cases, conducted multiple contested trials, and accumulated over three hundred hours of trial experience, with over half as lead counsel. Rhett was recognized multiple times as a Marine Corps prosecutor and was hand-selected to serve as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Marine Corps installations in Beaufort County. Rhett also served on a special assignment in Norfolk, Virginia, during which time he briefed the Commander of the U.S. Fleet Forces Command on multiple occasions after conducting hundreds of hours of investigation into a high-profile corruption scandal involving numerous senior Naval officers. He began his legal career as a judicial clerk for Senior U.S. District Court Judge Henry M. Herlong, Jr., in Greenville, South Carolina, as well as a summer associate at a national corporate law firm.

Recognition

- Top Prosecutor of the Year, 2019 Marine Corps Trial Counsel of the Year Award

- Best Trial Advocate, 2019 Intermediate Trial Advocacy Course at The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School, Charlottesville, Virginia
- Honor Roll Graduate and Meritorious Career Designation, The Basic School, Quantico, Virginia

Community & Professional

- Class Manager, Class of 2015, University of Virginia Law School Foundation, 2015-present
- At-Large Member, Clemson University Young Alumni Council, 2017-2020