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Practices

White
Collar/Government
Investigations
Litigation
Labor & Employment
Intellectual Property

Education

J.D., *magna cum laude*,
University of Pittsburgh
School of Law, 2018

- Executive Editor, *University of Pittsburgh Law Review*
- Law School Trial Advocacy Award
- Ronald D. Ecker Award for Excellence in Client Counseling
- Order of the Coif
- Order of the Barristers

B.A., *summa cum laude*, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, 2007

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania, 2018
New Jersey

Dave represents a diverse and wide-ranging group of clients in both civil and criminal matters. He has appeared as counsel in both state and federal trials, including a four-week federal jury trial. He earned his J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, where he served as Executive Editor of the law review, President of the Pitt Law chapter of the American Constitution Society, and Managing Editor of JURIST, the world's only law school-based, real time, comprehensive online legal news service. During law school, he argued in the championship round of the BMI Entertainment and Communications Law Moot Court Competition, a national contest held annually at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University. Prior to becoming an attorney, Dave formed and managed his own film company and worked as an instructional assistant and in-home therapist with children with special needs.

Representative Experience

- Won a verdict for the full amount alleged on behalf of a credit union in a one-day bench trial in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.
- Represented a defendant in a four week federal criminal trial involving allegations of a \$27M biodiesel fraud scheme.
- Co-drafted petitions and served as junior counsel in freeing one of the first prisoners released to home confinement pursuant to the Elderly Offender Early Release Program under the First Step Act of 2018.
- Co-drafted petitions and served as junior counsel in freeing one of the first terminally ill prisoners under the new compassionate release provisions of the First Step Act of 2018.
- Represented individual government employees in a state-wide grand jury investigation.
- Conducted an internal investigation for a university regarding brutality allegations against a campus police officer.
- Assists in representing a medical practice in removing a former partner and preventing the former partner from utilizing the practice's trade secrets in soliciting patients to his new practice.
- Co-represents a FinTech company in licensing dispute over failure to provide viable



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Middle District of
Pennsylvania
Eastern District of
Pennsylvania

transactional software solutions.

- Represented a multinational package delivery and supply-chain management company in Philadelphia Municipal Court.
- Co-authored a petition for allowance of appeal to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on behalf of a township that sought to prevent a cell phone company from building a communication tower in its community.

Professional and Community Activities

- Board of Directors, PLEA School, September 2016 – August 2018

Speeches and Presentations

- [How Attys Can Advocate For Detained Clients Amid COVID-19](#), Law360, 03/24/20 (co-authored with Linda Dale Hoffa)
- Dave Rodkey, *Making Sense of Obergefell: A Suggested Uniform Substantive Due Process Standard*, 79 U. Pitt. L. Rev. 753 (2018).
- Dave Rodkey, *Kennedy: A Flexible Jurisprudence*, June 28, 2018 – Cited in the ScotusBlog “Friday Round-Up,” June 29, 2018.

Professional Recognition

- Pittsburgh Intellectual Property Association: 2018 Student Leadership Award
- Sutin Prize for Outstanding Service to JURIST

NEWS / EVENTS

Press Releases

- Dilworth Co-Counsel in Philadelphia Federal Detention Center Detainees Class Action Lawsuit Demanding Protection from COVID-19