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J. Ben Segarra

SENIOR MARITIME ASSOCIATE



Ben's Profile

Ben is the Senior Maritime Associate in the firm's Mobile office and is a member of the Admiralty & Maritime and Energy & Natural Resources practices at Maynard Cooper.

He is an avid small craft sailor and his love for the water manifests in the work he does for clients. He has extensive admiralty experience, handling matters ranging across nearly the entire maritime spectrum, defending claims under the Jones Act, OPA 90, APPS, and the general maritime law.

Ben received his LL.M. in Admiralty from Tulane University where he was awarded the Maritime Law Fellowship, completing a rigorous course of study in nearly all aspects of maritime law and also serving as the head research assistant to Messrs. Martin Davies and Robert Force, two of America's preeminent scholars in the field.

He served as a law clerk for Judge William E. Cassady of the United States District Court for Southern Alabama for two years. Ben received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law and holds a B.A. from Duke University.

Ben's Awards

- *Mid-South Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" for Transportation/Maritime (2016 – present)

Ben's Affiliations & Civic Involvement

- Mobile Bar Association, Chair of the Admiralty Section, 2017
- Maritime Affairs Committee, Mobile Chamber of Commerce
- Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute
- Maritime Law Association of the United States, Proctor; Chair, Salvage Committee; past Secretary
- Association of Average Adjusters
- Propeller Club of the United States – Port of Mobile, Ala.
- Briefing Judge, John R. Brown Admiralty Moot Court Competition

Ben's Speaking Engagements

- June 16, 2017: "Recent Maritime Law Developments in the 6th, 7th, 8th, and 11th Circuits" for the Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute 2017 Annual Seminar, Charleston, SC
- May 4, 2016: "A Call to Congress for Increased Salvor Immunity" for the 2016 Maritime Law Association Spring Meeting
- December 18, 2015: "Form and Substance: The 2015 Amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Why They're Kind of a Big Deal" for the Mobile Bar Association's Annual Civil Law Update, Mobile, AL
- August 8, 2014: "Admiralty Practice in the 21st Century: Navigating Which Circuit Splits Will Lead to a Supreme Court Review" for the 2014 American Bar Association Annual Meeting
- October 2, 2013: "When a Vessel Is Not a Vessel: Recent Updates in Admiralty & Maritime Law" for the Law Mobile Bar Association Admiralty CLE Program, Mobile, AL

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RELATED INDUSTRIES & SERVICES

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BAR ADMISSIONS

State Bar: Alabama, Mississippi

U.S. District Court: Alabama(Northern, Middle, Southern)

EDUCATION

Tulane University Law School (2011, LL.M. Admiralty, Graduate Editor, Tulane Maritime Law Journal)

University of Virginia School of Law (2008, J.D., Executive Editor, Virginia Environmental Law Journal)

Duke University (2004, B.A.)

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Honorable William E. Cassady

United States District Court for the Southern District of Alabama