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Aaron M. Smith

Associate

Profile



Aaron Smith's ability to quickly create and execute an effective plan of action means even the most unexpected problems will be met with rapid and high-quality service.

Aaron Smith's post-graduate degrees in theology and business administration help him to navigate complex litigation issues by considering what should be done, and what can practically be done. His teaching experience at public and private schools, churches, and legal programs allows him to offer clients strong and effective communication and top-notch written and oral advocacy.

He previously served as the Chief Law Clerk to United States Judge Matthew Kacsmayk, Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division where he worked on both civil and criminal trials, as well as national-profile cases. Working inside the court system with some of the country's sharpest legal minds gave him insight into the experiential considerations of the federal district court system.

Practice Areas

- Employment
- Healthcare
- Litigation
- Real Estate
- Civil Rights

Bar/Court Admissions

- State Bar of Texas, 2023

Education

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- Juris Doctor, Baylor Law School, 2022
 - Baylor Law Review, Editorial Board
 - Deans List
- Master of Business Administration, Bellarmine University, W. Fielding Rubel School of Business, 2019
- Master of Arts in Theological Studies—Apologetics, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2018
- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Illinois Wesleyan University, 2014
 - Research Thesis: “VoiR Dire: Identifying Bias in Jury Deliberations”

Affiliations

- Federalist Society, Blackstone Legal Fellowship, Fellow, 2020

Experience

- Served as the Chief Law Clerk to United States Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk, Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division from 2023–2024
- Intern for United States Judge Reed O’Connor, Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division, 2020
- Extern for United States Magistrate Judge Jeffrey C. Manske, Western District of Texas, Waco Division, 2021

Publications

- Author, One Step Forward, Two Steps Back: June Medical Revives the Casey Standard for Abortion Jurisprudence, 74 Baylor Law Review 219, 2022