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BIO

Laurin is a trial lawyer who represents corporations and individuals in complex commercial disputes (including construction), white collar criminal prosecutions and investigations, technology and media-related litigation (including intellectual property disputes); and corporate governance/shareholder actions. He has represented nearly every local television station and newspaper in courtroom access, defamation, or news-gathering tort matters. Laurin is particularly experienced as both lead and local counsel in civil and criminal trials and litigation in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, also known as the "Rocket Docket." He has represented numerous high-profile corporate clients and individuals, including a major party candidate running for President of the United States in a criminal investigation. Laurin has tried cases in all the local state and federal courts, as well as in federal and state courts across the country and in domestic and international arbitrations.

Laurin graduated from Thomas S. Wootton High School in Rockville; earned B.S. and B.A. degrees from the University of Maryland, College Park; and received his Juris Doctor degree, cum laude, from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C. He lives in Oakton, Virginia and works out of the firm's Alexandria and Rockville offices.

Laurin has 30+ years of experience and is admitted to practice in numerous federal district and circuit courts across the country, including the United States Supreme Court.

ADMITTED IN MD. VA & DC

PUBLICATIONS

- Temptations, ABA Litigation Magazine (Winter 2014)
- ISP Immunity Provision Is Broadly Interpreted; but One Exception Exists When a Violation of Trademark Law Is Alleged, N.Y. Law Journal (April 15, 2002) (with Leslie Paul Machado)
- Taking Chances at Depositions, ABA Litigation Magazine (Fall 2001) (also published at page 372 of the ABA's Litigation Manual on Depositions)

RECENT CASES:

- Garcia v. Tygier, _ A.3d _, 2023 WL 3744526 (D.C. June 1, 2023) (wrongful lis pendens; Rule 11 Sanctions)
- Ward v. Thompson, (political associational rights/congressional investigation) (D. Ariz./9th Cir./US Supreme Court) (2022)
- Chesapeake Tunnel Joint Venture v. Brasfond USA
 Corporation, (wrongful default termination of slurry wall and jet grouting subcontractor and interpleader) (AAA/D.

 Md. 2022)
- United States v. Mendoza-Escobar, 1:19-cr-00175-LMB (heroin and cocaine smuggling) (E.D. Va. 2022)
- Coomer v. Byrne, No. 1:22-cv-1575 (defamation) (D. Colo. 2022)