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## OVERVIEW

Jonathan Vaitl is an associate at the firm's Harrisburg office. His practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, including complex contractual disputes, class action defense, claims under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and similar state laws, and securities litigation. He has also worked on high-profile cases involving constitutional challenges to Pennsylvania statutes and regulations. Jonathan has represented clients in state and federal courts, as well as before administrative law judges, where he has represented clients with respect to environmental permitting requirements. He has served as second chair for trials and arbitrations, and is experienced in pre-trial work, including pleadings, discovery, and motions practice.

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Jonathan served as a law clerk for the Honorable John E. Jones of the United States District Court of the Middle District of PA, where he drafted opinions in all phases of civil litigation in areas such as employment discrimination, civil rights, corporate securities, commercial or contractual disputes, and constitutional challenges to Pennsylvania statutes. As a law clerk, Jonathan also handled federal criminal proceedings, from initial appearances to sentencings to post-conviction motions.

## PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- 2022 Graduate, Community Leadership Series, Leadership Harrisburg Area
- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Civil Litigation Section, Rules Committee
- Dauphin County Bar Association

## EDUCATION

- J.D., Dickinson School of Law of The Pennsylvania State University, 2017
- M.A., Villanova University, 2010

- B.S., Messiah College, 2006

## ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- April 2024, ESG and the Sustainable Economy Handbook
- 15 April 2024, Supreme Court Limits Shareholder Suits Based on "Pure Omissions" in Corporate Disclosures
- 26 January 2024, Litigation Minute: 2023 Year in Review and 2024 Look Ahead
- 15 August 2023, Litigation Minute: The Next Wave of Website Privacy Lawsuits
- 16 May 2023, Litigation Minute: Protecting Against Session Replay Suits
- 9 May 2023, Florida Legislature Passes Bill to Bring Common-Sense Changes to the Florida Telephone Solicitation Act
- 3 May 2023, Florida Legislature Passes Bill to Bring Common-Sense Changes to the Florida Telephone Solicitation Act
- 18 April 2023, Litigation Minute: Pennsylvania and Florida Emerge as Fertile Ground for Session Replay Litigation
- 4 April 2023, Litigation Minute: Website Analytics or Illegal Wiretapping?
- 14 December 2022, Ninth Circuit Answers Lingering Question on Scope of 'Autodialer'
- 25 October 2022, Ninth Circuit Weighs Impact of "Mixed Use" of Wireless Numbers on Do Not Call Regulations
- 4 October 2022, Third Circuit Gives Pennsylvania Consumers New Footing for Internet Tracking Claims
- 23 May 2022, Washington Becomes Latest State to Tighten Restrictions on Telemarketing
- 8 March 2022, Seventh Circuit Strikes Down Delaware Forum Selection Clause and Clears Path to Federal Court for Securities Exchange Act Claims
- 6 January 2021, FAA Announces Final Rules to Further Integrate Drones Into the National Airspace System

- 4 September 2020, COVID-19: Proposed SAFE TO WORK Act Would Provide Businesses Broad COVID-19 Liability Protections
- 25 March 2020, COVID-19: Businesses Face Supply Chain Challenges as Pandemic Triggers State 'Stay at Home' and Business Curtailment Orders
- 30 January 2020, Capturing It if You Can: Pennsylvania Supreme Court Addresses the Interplay Between Hydraulic Fracturing and the Rule of Capture
- 17 January 2020, Department of Labor Issues Final Rule to Clarify Joint Employer Standard
- 26 November 2019, K&L Gates Working Wise: Recent Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Ruling on Fluctuating Workweek Method of Calculating Overtime

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "Third Circuit Court of Appeals Gives Pennsylvania Consumers Footing for Internet Tracking Claims," *Pratt's Privacy & Cybersecurity Law Report*, November-December 2022
- "Prepare For Pa. Consumer Suits After Website Wiretap Ruling," *Law360*, 18 October 2022

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- Employment Issues in Business Transactions
- Securities and Transactional Litigation

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Lead counsel in two lawsuits pending in United States District Court for the Southern District of California on behalf of a national sports governing body concerning allegations of misconduct
- Second chair environmental permitting appeals before the Pennsylvania Environmental Hearing Board
- Lead counsel in pro bono civil rights action representing former inmate
- Second chair environmental permitting appeals before the Pennsylvania Environmental Hearing Board
- Second chair dispute before the American Arbitration Association related to municipal construction project
- Assist with significant constitutional litigation related to Congressional redistricting, environmental regulations, and public school funding
- Provided defense representation to clients facing class actions under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act