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PRACTICE AREAS

Internet Defamation

Commercial & Civil
Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Associations & Nonprofit
Organizations

Bank & Lender Services

Construction

Government Contracting

Professional & Licensed
Occupations

Real Estate Development &
Investment

Richard C. “Rip” Sullivan, Jr. is a shareholder of Bean, Kinney & Korman, practicing in the area of commercial litigation and dispute resolution. He has represented clients in Virginia and federal courts for over thirty years. He has extensive trial experience and is also an expert in alternatives to litigation for resolving commercial disputes. He served for years, and at one point chaired, the Bar’s Joint Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee, and helped craft the rules on mediation and arbitration in Virginia. Additionally, he taught negotiations at George Mason Law School.

Rip represents a wide variety of clients as a commercial litigation attorney including technology companies, banks, construction and real estate firms, government contractors, and nonprofits.

In addition to his law practice, Rip is a member of the Virginia General Assembly, representing the 48th District in the House of Delegates. He is also active in numerous community, civic, and professional organizations.

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Virginia, 1987

District of Columbia, 1999

EDUCATION

Amherst College, B.A.,
magna cum laude, 1981

University of Virginia
School of Law, J.D., 1987



AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation, 2021-2022

Martindale Hubbell, AV Preeminent Rated, 2022

Arlington Magazine, Top Attorney – Appellate, Litigation, 2021

Arlington Magazine, Top Attorney – Litigation, 2019

American Lawyers Media Virginia's Top Rated Lawyers, 2012

Virginia Lawyers Media Virginia's Leaders in the Law, 2012

Virginia Business Legal Elite in Civil Litigation, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2020

Business Litigation Super Lawyer, 2008

Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers, 2007, 2014, 2016, 2019-2021

Virginia Super Lawyers in Business Litigation, 2006, 2014-2021

Lawyers.com, AV Preeminent Rated

AFFILIATIONS

United States Institute of Peace International – Advisory Council Member

Fairfax County Park Authority Board – former Board Member

Virginia Law Foundation – Fellow

Virginia Bar Association – former Member of the Board of Governors, former member of Committee on Federal Judgeships – Eastern District

Virginia State Bar Professionalism Course – former Faculty Member

George Mason Law School – former Adjunct Faculty, teaching negotiation

Fairfax Bar Association

Fairfax Law Foundation – former Board Member

Federal Bar Association

McLean Community Foundation – former President

Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership at The University of Virginia – former Board Member

Virginia State Bar/Virginia Bar Association Alternative Dispute Resolution Joint Committee – former Member and former Chair

Virginia State Bar Emergency Legal Services Task Force – former Chairman

Virginia State Bar Special Committee on Access to Legal Services – former Chairman of the Subcommittee on Funding Alternatives

Fairfax County Housing and Redevelopment Authority – former Vice-Chair

Fairfax Transportation Advisory Commission – former member

Virginia Commission on Civics Education – former member

Fairfax Consumer Protection Commission – former member

Legal Services of Northern Virginia – former President and Board Member

Potomac Legal Aid Society – former Board Member

Virginia State Bar Council – Represented the 19th Judicial Circuit (2003-2009)

Alexandria Bar Foundation – former Board Member

Homestretch, Inc. – former Vice Chairman and Board Member

Virginia State Bar Special Committee on the Resolution of Fee Disputes – former Chairman

Dranesville Budget Task Force – former Chair

EXPERIENCE

- Products Liability/Mass Tort – Member of a nationwide trial team defending a large pharmaceutical company in a multi-billion-dollar diet drug litigation.
- Defense counsel for a large Northern Virginia hospital system and its related entities, physicians and staff for seven years, defending medical malpractice cases in the state and federal courts of Virginia.

NEWS

- Twenty-eight Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Recognized as Top Attorneys for 2021 by Arlington Magazine Thursday October 21, 2021
- Fifteen Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Listed in 2022 Best Lawyers in America and Five Attorneys Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Thursday August 19, 2021
- 2021 Super Lawyers Thursday May 6, 2021
- Thirteen Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Listed in 2021 Best Lawyers in America and Three Attorneys Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Thursday August 20, 2020
- 2020 Super Lawyers Thursday May 7, 2020

- Twenty-six Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Recognized as Top Attorneys by *Arlington Magazine* Friday October 18, 2019
- 2019 Super Lawyers Thursday April 18, 2019
- Rip Sullivan and Raighne Delaney Weigh in on Golf and Country Club Veto *ARLnow*, Thursday March 14, 2019
- Bean, Kinney & Korman Attorneys Recognized as 2018 Virginia Super Lawyers, Top 10 and Rising Stars Monday April 30, 2018
- Fourteen Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Recognized as 2017 Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Thursday April 13, 2017
- Eleven Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Recognized as 2016 Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Thursday April 7, 2016
- Twelve Attorneys from Bean, Kinney & Korman Recognized as 2015 Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Thursday April 9, 2015
- Rip Sullivan Joins Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C. Tuesday November 18, 2014

BEYOND THE SUIT

Rip lives in McLean, Virginia with his wife Beth. They have four children.