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Triston Chase O'Savio concentrates his practice on a wide range of complex commercial litigation matters, with notable experience representing individuals and companies in white collar defense cases. Triston is actively involved in pro bono legal work, and litigates federal pro bono appeals as a member of the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) Panel within the Seventh Circuit.

Prior to joining the firm, Triston previously practiced with a prominent international Am Law 100 law firm, served as an associate at a Harrisburg-based law firm, a federal judicial law clerk to the Honorable James M. Munley of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and an appellate judicial law clerk to the Honorable Jack A. Panella of the Pennsylvania Superior Court. Chase also previously held an externship with the Federal Public Defenders Office Middle District of Pennsylvania, clerkship with the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, and internships with Independence Blue Cross and the National Bar Association.

Triston previously served as an adjunct professor of law for legal writing at his alma mater, the Dickinson School of Law at Pennsylvania State University. Triston also served as a legal writing instructor for the Council on Legal Education Opportunity's ("CLEO") six-week Summer Institute, a pre-law program and a national nonprofit organization founded in 1968 designed to expand opportunities for minority and low-income students to attend law school. Additionally, he was an Op-Ed contributor for Penn Live and has published multiple articles with topics ranging from civil rights to employment related issues.

During law school, Triston served as the president of the Dickinson Law Moot Court Board and was a founder of Dickinson Law's O'Savio Moot Court Competition. He also served as team captain of Dickinson Law's National Trial Team, and received multiple academic scholarships and awards, including the CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Intellectual Property Law.

EDUCATION

- B.A., Dickinson College
- J.D., Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law

ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania
- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- Virginia (Bar Admission Pending)
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- · American Bar Association
- Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals

TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Former Adjunct Professor for Legal Writing at Dickinson Law

HONORS & AWARDS

- Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch 2023
- National Black Lawyers Top 40 under 40
- Joseph T. McDonald Scholarship Award Recipient (Awarded to a 3L who exhibited excellence in the Dickinson Law trial advocacy program)
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award (Awarded to the student who scored the highest on a law school examination- Intellectual Property Law)

PUBLICATIONS

- Blue Virginia, Nov. 2022, Our Democracy Depends On Everyone Getting Out to Vote, Even If Barriers Are Put In Our Way
- Corporate Counsel Business Journal, March 2020, Does the Federal Arbitration Act Prevent States from Prohibiting Mandatory Arbitration Agreements?
- Patriot News Penn Live Op-Ed, July 2020, Our Country Needs Students of Color to Become Lawyers
- Pennsylvania Bar Association Young Lawyer's Division's At Issue, Nov. 2019, Does Title VII Protect Against Sexual Orientation Discrimination?
- Patriot News Penn Live Op-Ed, Sept. 2019, 3 Reasons Why the Gender Stereotype Theory Inadequately Protects Gay Employees

