

Christopher L. Thacker

Business & Commercial Litigation Real Estate & Banking

Christopher's practice is focused on Business Litigation – including Business Torts, Banking Litigation, Land Use, Antitrust, Trade Regulation & Franchise, Intellectual Property, Civil Rights and Negligence Litigation. He has represented many of Kentucky's leading businesses including Lexmark International, Inc., Fifth Third Bank, Whitaker Bank, Keeneland Association, Louisville Gas & Electric Company, Kentucky Utilities, and Kentucky American Water, among others.

Immediately after law school, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable John M. Rogers of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Christopher is a graduate of University of Kentucky College of Law, where he was a member of the Moot Court National Team, the Kentucky Law Journal and the Honor Council. Before attending law school, he worked at the Heritage Foundation in Washington D.C. and was the Executive Director of the Bible Literacy Project, an educational non-profit. Christopher currently serves on the Kentucky Executive Branch Ethics Commission. He has also been appointed by Governor Bevin to serve as a Special Justice to the Kentucky Supreme Court.

A father of five, Christopher is also active in the Regina Pacis Chaplaincy of the Diocese of Lexington.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- United States Supreme Court
- Kentucky Supreme Court (all Kentucky Courts)
- US Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit
- US District Courts, Eastern & Western Dist. of KY

NOTABLE CASES

- *Pannell v. Shannon*, 425 S.W.3d 58 (Ky. March 20, 2014)
- *Lexmark International, Inc. v. Static Control Components, Inc.*, 134 S Ct 1377 (2014) (and multiple lower court decisions).
- *Wildcat Property Management, LLC v. Franzen*, Court of Appeals Case No. 2014-CA-000964.
- *Erwin W. Lewis, et al v. Todd Hollenbach, IV, et al.*, Franklin Circuit Court Civil Action No. 08-CI-1094, Kentucky Supreme Court No. 2009-SC-000164.
- *Hidden Creek, et al. v. Fifth Third*, Fayette Circuit Court Civil Action No. 11-CI-3354, Court of Appeals Case No. 2013-CA-000530
- *Appalachian Racing, LLC v. Family Trust Found. of Ky., Inc.*, 423 S.W. 3d 726 (Ky. 2014).
- *Corbin Bingo Parlor, LCC, et al. v. Whitaker Bank, Inc.*, Fayette Circuit Court No. 11-CI-02745, Court of Appeals Case No. 2012-CA-000183
- *Whitaker Bank, Inc. v. Montgomery Real Estate Holdings, Inc., et al.*, Wolfe Circuit Court 12-CI-00100, Court of Appeals Case 2013-CA-001367



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EDUCATION

J.D., University of Kentucky College of Law
Lexington, Kentucky, *summa cum laude*

- Order of the Coif
- Moot Court, *National Team*
- Kentucky Law Journal
- Woodford Howard and Florence Stephens Howard Law Scholarship
- CALI Awards – Law & Economics, Law & Religion

B.A., Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut,
Religious Studies

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Immediate Past President, Central Kentucky Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy
- Two terms Kentucky Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
- Kentucky Executive Branch Ethics Committee
- Yale Alumni Schools Committee

