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Devon F. Ferris is an associate of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C. and a member of the firm's Diversity and Inclusion Committee. She concentrates her practice in the areas of admiralty, insurance defense, Jones Act, maritime law, and municipal law.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Ferris served as an attorney advisor at the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Administrative Law Judges, where she worked on federal workers' compensation matters, including claims under the Black Lung Benefits Act and Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act. Ms. Ferris also handled a variety of whistleblower and immigration cases while at the U.S. Department of Labor. During law school, she interned with the Appeals Unit of the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office and clerked for Justice Debra Todd of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

Practice Focus

- Insurance Law and Litigation
- Municipal Law

Professional Accomplishments

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* 2024: Commercial Litigation and Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Pittsburgh Legal Diversity & Inclusion Coalition Volunteer of the Year (2022)

Representative Matters

- Represented towing company in limitation action having multiple claimants and co-defendants arising from flotilla breakaway at fleeting area during significant ice and flood stage river conditions

Speaking Engagements

- "Recent Amendments to Federal Rule of Evidence 702: What Every Attorney Needs to Know" (Moderator); Allegheny County Bar Association CLE; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; 3/26/2024
- "Does Wilburn's Boat Still Float? Marine Insurance Choice of Law Issues" (Speaker); Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute 2023 Annual Seminar; Delray Beach, Florida; 6/23/2023
- "Maximizing Your Success in the Western District of Pennsylvania's Early Mediation Program" (Speaker); Allegheny County Bar Association CLE; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; 5/17/2023
- "Mediation Mini Camp" (Co-Speaker); Pennsylvania CLE; 12/13/2022

Publications

- *Reconciling Ex Post Facto Analysis and Straddle Offenses: Alternative Approaches to Incomplete Crimes in Commonwealth v. Rose*, 54 Duq. L. Rev. 451 (2016)

Admissions and Licenses

- Pennsylvania Bar Admission
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

Memberships

- Allegheny County Bar Association (Federal Court Section Officer)
- American Bar Association
- Pittsburgh Legal Diversity & Inclusion Coalition
 - Committee Member
 - Legal Careers Pathways Program Coordinator
 - Young Professionals Advisory Board
- Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute

Community Involvement

- National Security Conference on the First Amendment (Assistant Conference Coordinator 2018)
- Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University (Appellate Moot Court Coach – coached second- and third-year law students to multiple national first-place finishes in mock arbitration and appellate moot court competitions)

Education

- Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University, J.D. (2016), *magna cum laude*; *Duquesne Law Review* (Associate Editor); Appellate Moot Court Board (Executive Board Member); Dr. John E. Murray, Jr. Outstanding Writing Award; ABA-BNA Award for Excellence in the Study of Health Care Law; Best Appellate Brief Award; Outstanding Oral Advocate; Order of Barristers; Shalom Moot Court Award; recipient of CALI Excellence for the Future Awards® in Legal Research and Writing I, Legal Research and Writing II, Torts II, and Law and Medical Ethics
- Villanova University, B.A. (2013), English