



## JAMES C. STEBBINS

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James Stebbins has been practicing law for nearly 30 years. He joined Flaherty's Charleston office in 2022. James has significant experience in a wide variety of litigation matters. He can handle all aspects of litigation through discovery, trial and appeal.

"I have a knack for helping clients become comfortable with the litigation process, and I keep them informed."

With a proven track record, his experience includes insurance defense, insurance coverage, bad faith, public entity liability, asbestos, class actions, construction law, commercial disputes, employment law, eminent domain, property disputes and appeals.

James is a creative problem solver who is practical and efficient. He takes pride in helping clients and establishing strong personal relationships with them that go beyond the case.

Outside of the office, James enjoys spending his time golfing or on the slopes.

### PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- West Virginia State Bar Board of Governors (2017-2020)

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Heart & Hand
  - Board Member
- Elizabeth Memorial United Methodist Church

### SERVICES

- Commercial
- Deliberate Intent
- Insurance Coverage & Defense
- Medical Malpractice Defense

### EDUCATION

- J.D., West Virginia University College of Law (1994)
- B.S., West Virginia University (1990)
  - Psychology

### ADMISSIONS

- West Virginia (1994)
- United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia (1994)
- United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia (1994)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1998)

- Former Board Member and President

## REPORTED CASES

- *Scherich v. Wheeling Creek Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program*, 855 S.E. 2d 912 (W. Va. 2021)
- *Pope Properties v. Robinson*, 738 S.E.2d 546 (W. Va. 2013)
- *Neely v. Belk, Inc.*, 668 S.E.2d 189 (W. Va. 2008)
- *Corder v. William W. Smith Excavating*, 556 S.E.2d 77 (W. Va. 2001)
- *State ex rel. Davidson v. Hoke*, 532 S.E.2d 50 (W. Va. 2000)
- *Mitchell v. Federal Kemper Ins. Co.*, 514 S.E.2d 393 (W. Va. 1998)
- *State ex rel. West Virginia Deputy Sheriff's Assoc. v. Simms*, 513 S.E.2d 669 (W. Va. 1998)
- *Butts v. Royal Vendors, Inc.*, 504 S.E.2d 911 (W. Va. 1998)
- *Frye v. Kanawha Stone Co.*, 505 S.E.2d 206 (W. Va. 1998)
- *Wilt v. State Auto Mut. Ins. Co.*, 506 S.E.2d 608 (W. Va. 1998)
- *Brooks v. Harris*, 495 S.E.2d 555 (W. Va. 1997)
- *Cochran v. U.S. Life Credit Life Ins. Co.*, 494 S.E.2d 927 (W. Va. 1997)
- *Blake v. John Skidmore Truck Stop, Inc.*, 493 S.E.2d 887 (W. Va. 1997)
- *Clark v. Kawasaki Motors Corp. USA*, 490 S.E.2d 852 (W. Va. 1997)
- *Linkinogger v. Nationwide Mut. Ins. Co.*, 489 S.E.2d 19 (W. Va. 1997)
- *Bell v. Vecellio & Grogan, Inc.*, 475 S.E.2d 138 (W. Va. 1996)
- *Cox v. Amick*, 466 S.E.2d 459 (W. Va. 1995)
- *Tiller v. Blevins*, 460 S.E.2d 473 (W. Va. 1995)
- *Miller v. Lemon*, 459 S.E.2d 406 (W. Va. 1995)
- *Meredith v. Mamsi Ins. Resources, Inc.*, 36 Fed. Appx. 109 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2002)
- *Wilt v. State Auto Mut. Ins. Co.*, 2000 U.S. App. Lexis 613 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1999)
- *Morgan v. Allianz Life Ins. Co.*, 1998 U.S. App. Lexis 11811 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1998)

## INSIGHTS

August 2022

### 28 FLAHERTY ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED BY BEST LAWYERS®

Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso is pleased to announce that 28 of the firm's attorneys have been selected for inclusion in the 2023 edition of The Best Lawyers in America® and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch.

Additionally, six attorneys were named Best Lawyers 2023 Lawyer of the Year. Only one ...

July 2022

### FLAHERTY WELCOMES ATTORNEY JAMES C. STEBBINS

Flaherty is pleased to announce that attorney James C. Stebbins has joined the Charleston office.

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## HONORS & AWARDS

- Listed, *The Best Lawyers in America*®
  - Litigation - Insurance (2015 - 2023)
- West Virginia Law Review
- Order of the Coif
- Graduated WVU Law in top 5% of class

## ADDITIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- FARMER, CLINE & CAMPBELL, Charleston, WV  
Attorney, Oct 2021-Apr 2022  
Practice areas: personal injury, insurance coverage, bad faith
- LEWIS, GLASSER PLLC, Charleston, WV  
Partner, Feb 2010-Oct 2021  
Practice areas: insurance defense, public entity liability, insurance coverage, bad faith, public entity liability, asbestos, class actions, construction law, commercial disputes, employment law, eminent domain, property disputes, appeals
- STEBBINS & PINKERTON, PLLC, Charleston, WV  
Partner, Feb 2003-Feb 2010  
Practice areas: insurance defense, public entity liability, insurance coverage, bad faith, asbestos, medical malpractice, appeals
- HUDDLESTON, BOLEN, BEATTY, PORTER & COPEN, PLLC, Charleston, WV  
Partner, May 1994-Feb 2003  
Practice areas: insurance defense, insurance coverage, asbestos, product liability, medical malpractice,

appeals

- GOLD & STANLEY, PC  
Bankruptcy Trustee Paralegal, Dec 1991-May 1992

## **PRACTICE CONCENTRATIONS**

- Commercial Litigation
- Deliberate Intent
- Insurance Coverage
- Insurance Defense
- Bad Faith
- Medical Malpractice
- Real Property Disputes