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Growing up, James Cann knew he wanted to be a lawyer one day like his grandfather and father. Today, James has been providing counsel for more than 40 years.

James practices in our Clarksburg office, counseling clients in a wide range of business matters. He has extensive experience in real estate, oil and gas, wills and estates, and corporate, business, and municipal law. In addition, he is a former Harrison County Mental Hygiene Commissioner.

"I listen to my clients and understand their circumstances to advise and lead them through the transaction process."

Outside of work, James enjoys spending time with his wife Sally, their three children and four grandchildren. He loves West Virginia, and when he's not with family or cheering on the Mountaineers, you'll find him running, swimming, biking and golfing.

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- West Union Bank
 - Board of Directors

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- All Saints Catholic Church
- ARC Harrison County
 - Board of Directors
- Columbian Club
- Serra Club

SERVICES

Corporate and Transactional

EDUCATION

- J.D., Cooley Law School (1980)
- B.S., West Virginia University (1977)
 - Business Administration, Accounting
- B.A., West Virginia University (1975)
 - Education, Language Arts

ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia
- United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia
- United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia
- United States Claims Court

- Graduate and Alumnus of FBI Citizens Academy

INSIGHTS

March 2020

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PROCEDURE: HOW MUNICIPALITIES CAN PASS EXPEDITED EMERGENCY ORDINANCES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

On March 23, 2020, Governor Jim Justice issued an executive "Stay-at-Home" home order, officially known as Executive Order 9-20, in an attempt to further combat the spread of COVID-19 within West Virginia. Municipalities may also wish to pass their ordinances to combat the spread among ...

March 2020

MUNICIPAL LAW: NAVIGATING THE WEST VIRGINIA OPEN GOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS ACT IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

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January 2018

FLAHERTY SENSABAUGH BONASSO OPENS NEW OFFICE IN DOWNTOWN CLARKSBURG

We are very pleased to announce the expansion of Flaherty's geographical footprint in West Virginia with the opening of a new office in Clarksburg. Managing Member Michael Bonasso said it was really important for the firm to be downtown.

"We found that being downtown, in the community with ...

ADDITIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Young, Morgan & Cann (1981-2017)
- Office of the West Virginia Attorney General (1980-1981)

PRACTICE CONCENTRATIONS

- Real Estate Titles & Closings
- Coal, Oil & Gas and Mineral Title Examinations & Closings
- Wills & Estates
- Business Entity Formation & Maintenance