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David A. Schnitzer is of counsel in the Washington, D.C. office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He practices in the firm's Litigation Department, where he focuses on high-stakes administrative agency matters and other complex litigation.

He has been named a *Super Lawyers* Rising Star six times (2018-2023), and recognized in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* since 2021, including for Administrative / Regulatory Law, Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants, Appellate Practice, and Environmental Litigation. In addition David has been listed as a Rising Star in transportation by both *The Legal 500* (2019) and *Law360* (2018). He also served on *Law360*'s Transportation Editorial Advisory Board, and is a recipient of the Burton Distinguished Legal Writing Award.

David represents clients before federal and state courts at the appellate and trial levels, as well as before a wide range of administrative agencies. In addition to agency rulemaking and enforcement matters, he is experienced in high-stakes general civil litigation, particularly those involving complex procedural and jurisdictional issues. David is an experienced brief writer, and has argued before two federal courts of appeals and in several state courts.

He also maintains an active *pro bono* practice, with a particular focus on immigration.

Prior to his legal career, David worked in government and politics, including positions at the Department of Defense, for two United States Senators, and on two presidential campaigns.

David earned a Juris Doctorate *magna cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center in 2013, where he was an executive editor of the *Georgetown Law Journal* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. In 2001, he earned Bachelor of Arts degrees from Columbia University, *magna cum laude*, and the Jewish Theological Seminary, *summa cum laude*.

David is admitted to practice before the courts of Maryland and the District of Columbia; the Supreme Court of the United States; the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the District of Columbia, Second, Fourth, and Eighth Circuits; and the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

Capabilities

Litigation

Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice

Appellate and Constitutional Law

Class Actions

Higher Education

Labor and Employment

Credentials

Education

Georgetown University - 2013 Juris Doctor

Jewish Theological Seminary of America - 2001 Bachelor of Arts

Columbia University - 2001 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

Maryland Bar

District of Columbia Bar

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