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EDUCATION

- Washington & Lee University School of Law;
- Geneva College, B.A. History; Summa Cum Laude, Research Honors

ADMISSIONS

- Virginia
- US District Court for the Western District of Virginia
- US District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- US Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Virginia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

- Faculty – Mid-Atlantic Institute on Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice (2012, 2013)



FULL BIO

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Calvin handles a variety of litigation in state and federal courts, including the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, including title defense work, modular and manufactured housing issues, and employee non-compete agreements. Calvin also represents churches and advises them on issues ranging from incorporation to litigation, and he has extensive experience with church lending issues.

He attended the National Trial Advocacy College, a six-day, intensive litigation training program held annually at the University of Virginia School of Law, in 2008. He has served on the faculty of the annual Mid-Atlantic Institute on Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice and has taught other CLE courses in the areas of bankruptcy, landlord-tenant law, and collections.

Calvin volunteers as the 5th and 6th Grade Commissioner for the Western Loudoun Basketball League and as a coach. He has served on the Susan G. Komen – Virginia Blue Ridge Give Day Committee, was a speaker at the 2013 Race for the Cure, and has raised funds for breast cancer research, education, and testing. He has served as a ruling elder, Sunday School teacher, and small group leader at Christ the King Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, as a member of an ad hoc committee mediating an intra-church dispute, and currently as a lector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Purcellville, VA. In his free time, he enjoys spending time with his wife, an IT executive, and their four children at the beach, as well as playing basketball and softball.

