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### Overview

#### Curriculum Vitae

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**ERIC J. HUGHES** is a 1995 *magna cum laude* graduate of Bucknell University and of the Rutgers School of Law – Newark where he was awarded a Juris Doctor degree in 1998. Prior to joining the Firm, Mr Hughes served as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Dennis M. Cavanaugh, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. He is admitted to practice in the State and Federal Courts of New Jersey, as well as the Federal Court of Claims and the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Hughes practices in the field of commercial litigation at McElroy Deutsch, focusing primarily on construction, surety and fidelity litigation. He has extensive experience counseling contractors, subcontractors, owners, design professionals and sureties in a wide variety of transactions and disputes at both the trial and appellate levels of the state and federal courts, as well as in alternative dispute resolution tribunals.

Mr. Hughes' extensive experience handling complex commercial matters includes those involving contract disputes, construction defaults, bid protests, delay and extra work claims, construction defect claims, lien law rights, contract completion issues, creditors rights in bankruptcy, design disputes, contract drafting and negotiation, professional malpractice claims, surety and fidelity bond claims, bad faith claims and construction trust fund claims. He also routinely counsels clients on risk management and litigation avoidance.

Mr. Hughes is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association's Construction Law Subcommittee as well as the Fidelity and Surety Law Subcommittee. He is also a member of the American Bar Association's Public

Contract Law Section and the Tort & Insurance Practice Section. Mr. Hughes has been listed in Super Lawyers® Rising Stars (2009-2013), a Thomson Reuters business, in the areas of Construction Litigation and Professional Liability: Defense. A description of the standard or methodology on which the accolade is based can be found [HERE](#) (No aspect of the advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court). In addition, Martindale-Hubbell awarded Mr. Hughes its AV Peer Rating, its highest level of professional recognition.

## Awards

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## Practices

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## Education

Bucknell University (B.A. 1995)

Rutgers U. School of Law - Newark (J.D. 1998)

## Admissions

State of New Jersey

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey