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Jenna McGee leads the firm's Construction and Real Estate Disputes Group and regularly represents public and private entities in real estate and construction matters. In addition to her transactional practice, Jenna has served as trial counsel for companies in federal and state court proceedings, defended a wide variety of companies in regulatory actions, and conducted a number of internal investigations on behalf of clients.

She also advises corporations and boards of directors on matters of corporate governance and compliance, works with companies to identify areas of risk, and coordinates with other Parker Poe attorneys to create comprehensive, enterprise-wide compliance plans and provide compliance-related advice.

Jenna is admitted to practice before the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second and Fourth Circuits, as well as the United States District Courts for South Carolina and the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Prior to joining Parker Poe, Jenna practiced with an international law firm in New York in the areas of securities litigation and regulatory enforcement and investigations. She also served as a law clerk to United States District Court Judge William H. Pauley III in the Southern District of New York.

While attending Duke University School of Law, Jenna was senior editor for *Law & Contemporary Problems*, an interdisciplinary law journal.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented national shoe retailer in dispute with landlord over shopping center agreement.
- Assisted client with a transaction involving \$200 million acquisition of a manufacturing plant in South Carolina.
- On behalf of a real estate investment trust, prepared analysis of how leases in a shopping center were affected by a condemnation and defended the REIT in that condemnation.
- Drafted lease amendments for intermodal terminal for temporary storage of shipping containers on the leased premises.
- Represented telecommunications company in zoning dispute with municipality.



CHARLESTON OFFICE



PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation
- Governance, Risk & Compliance
- Class Action Defense
- Government Investigations & White Collar Defense
- Construction



EDUCATION

- Duke University
JD, *cum laude*, 2004
- Duke University
BA, 2001



ADMISSIONS

- South Carolina, 2008
- New York, 2004



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- Assisted with engineering, procurement and construction contract involving significant renovation of an existing manufacturing facility in the upstate of South Carolina.
- Represented public software company in dispute with landlord regarding water intrusion and property damage in leased premises.
- Defended cybersecurity company in dispute involving tenant improvement offset provision within office lease.
- On behalf of commercial landlords, enforced leases and filed ejectment actions against tenants for breaches of the operative leases.
- On behalf of a manufacturing company, reviewed company-wide document management process and records retention policy, advised on best practices, and worked with various records offices to ensure compliance.
- Advised clients in the construction and real estate industries on risk assessment, management and mitigation program.
- Represented clients in complex commercial litigation, intellectual property disputes, and regulatory and internal investigations.
- Represented businesses in other general commercial disputes.

CLIENT ALERTS

- "Smith v. D.R. Horton, Inc.: The End of Arbitration for Residential Developers and Builders in South Carolina?", August 2016
- "CBCA Provides Guidance on the Meaning of the Implied "Good Faith" Requirement in Government Contracts," August 2016
- "The South Carolina Supreme Court Enforces a Contractual Waiver of Punitive Damages," August 2016
- "How to Avoid Financing State Projects, Also Known As Collecting Interest on Delayed Payments From the State of South Carolina," July 2016
- "The Ongoing Tension Over Class Actions and Statistical Evidence and the Significance for Residential Developers and Builders," July 2016



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- "South Carolina Office of the State Engineer Publishes Notice of Intent to Adopt 2015 ICC Codes for State Buildings," July 2016

HONORS

- *Benchmark Litigation*, Future Star in South Carolina, 2018-2019; 40 & Under Hot List, 2016, 2018-2019
- *South Carolina Super Lawyers* Rising Star, 2012-2015
- *Charleston Regional Business Journal's* 40 Under 40, 2012

MEMBERSHIPS

- Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Charleston, Class of 2013