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## PRACTICES

Professional Malpractice Defense  
General Liability Defense  
Real Estate  
Domestic Relations

## EDUCATION

Roger Williams University School of Law, J.D. *cum laude* (2022)  
University of Northern Colorado, M.A. (2014)  
University of Northern Colorado, B.A. (2011)

## BAR ADMISSIONS

Rhode Island, 2022  
Massachusetts, 2024  
United States District Court, District of Rhode Island, 2024

## CLERKSHIPS

Rhode Island Supreme Court Law Clerk Department, Associate Justice  
Taft-Carter, 2023-2024  
Connecticut Judicial Branch, Superior Court, Honorable Erik Lohr, 2022-2023

## PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Rhode Island Bar Association, Member  
Rhode Island Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Committee,  
Member  
SouthPointe Christian Church Missions Team, Member  
Books are Wings, Member of Board of Directors

## PRACTICE SUMMARY

A member of the firm's Health Care Group, Jeffrey focuses his practice on professional malpractice defense. Jeffrey defends doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers in malpractice suits. Jeffrey represents the firm's clients before the Rhode Island Superior Court as well as before licensing and administrative boards, drafting discovery and dispositive motions and presenting oral argument.

Prior to joining the firm, Jeffrey was a judicial law clerk for Associate Justices Sarah Taft-Carter and Joseph Montalbano in the Rhode Island Superior Court. In that capacity, he assisted Superior Court justices by conducting legal research and drafting memoranda on the issues presented.

Prior to his legal career, Jeffrey worked in a variety of capacities in the nonprofit sector. He served in AmeriCorps in Yuma, AZ as an anti-meth/heroin campaign coordinator for the Mayor and Chief of Police. He worked in community corrections addressing issues of prisoner re-entry and rehabilitation. He has a passion for criminal justice reform and environmental criminology.

