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Troutman Pepper Locke Partner Timothy McHugh Honored with 2025 Military and Veterans Law Pro Bono Award

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RICHMOND – Troutman Pepper Locke partner [Timothy McHugh](#) was honored with the 2025 Military and Veterans Law Pro Bono Award by the Virginia State Bar's Military Law Section Board of Governors for demonstrating exceptional dedication and impactful work on behalf of U.S. veterans. McHugh, together with David DePippo from Dominion Energy, received this prestigious award for [securing a landmark U.S. Supreme Court victory](#) in the case of *Rudisill v. McDonough* that restored billions in educational benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, positively affecting approximately 1.7 million veterans.

"As a veteran, being honored with the Military and Veterans Law Pro Bono Award is profoundly meaningful," said McHugh. "This Supreme Court decision will transform the lives of millions of veterans, opening doors to educational opportunities that were previously out of reach. We worked on this case for the better part of a decade, and this victory is a testament to the power of advocacy and the enduring commitment to those who have served our nation."

First awarded in 2021, the Virginia State Bar's Military and Veterans Law Pro Bono Award recognizes those members of the Bar who have dedicated a significant portion of their time and energy to serving and protecting those who protect and serve through pro bono practice.

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