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# Virginia Lawyers Weekly Recognizes Troutman Pepper Partner Brooks Smith in Inaugural Managing Partners Spotlight

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**RICHMOND, Va.** – [Brooks Smith](#), managing partner of Troutman Pepper’s Richmond office and a leader in the firm’s Environmental and Natural Resources Practice Group, has been named to *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*’s inaugural list of “some of the best-known and hardest-working managing partners of law firms in the Commonwealth.” Smith is among two dozen attorneys to be recognized in the publication’s Managing Partners Spotlight.

The list highlights “those attorneys who stay in the trenches, maintaining their practices and meeting with clients while keeping an eye on the firm’s bottom line and the day-to-day needs of the office.” In selecting the managing partners, editors sought attorneys who exemplify the diversity of Virginia’s legal profession, focusing on excellence in leadership.

Smith has led Troutman Pepper’s Richmond office since 2019. The full-service office comprises more than 150 attorneys catering to clients in virtually every sector with local, national, and international reach. Attorneys are well-connected to local businesses, governmental circles, economic development, culture, arts, and charitable organizations.

In September, Smith was recognized among the Commonwealth’s top leaders by *Virginia Business*. That same month, *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* recognized Troutman Pepper in its inaugural Law Firms on the Move program, which highlighted 11 Virginia law firms for their embrace of innovation in firm management and legal practice, growth strategies, new practice areas, community outreach, and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

Smith is involved in cutting-edge environmental and natural resources proceedings in Virginia and around the country, including litigation, enforcement defense, project development and compliance counseling. In addition to the recent recognition, he has been honored by several leading industry authorities throughout his career, including *Chambers USA*, the *National Law Journal*, and *Thomson Reuters*, among many others.

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