

Gerrit (Gary) D. DeYoung

ASSOCIATE

"When clients come to us with a dispute, they haven't been able to resolve, I know that it's been a long stressful road for them. My goal is to work to reach a resolution that achieves their goals as efficiently and with as little stress as possible, so they can refocus on what matters to them most. Life improves when we can achieve a fair and quick solution to our most difficult problems, and that is what I work toward each day."

Prior to joining the firm, Gary gained valuable experience working for the Massachusetts Land Court in Boston, Massachusetts as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Sarah Turano-Flores. In this role, Gary conducted legal research, prepared memoranda, and advised the Court on a variety of legal issues. While in law school, he interned with the Honorable Katherine A. Robertson at the U.S. District Court in Springfield and with the Honorable Diane Rubin at the Land Court and served as Executive Editor of the *Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy*.

Practice Areas

- Litigation

Locations

- Springfield

Education

Suffolk University Law School

Boston, Massachusetts

J.D. – 2025

Honors: *magna cum laude*

Boston University, Wheelock College of Education & Human Development

Boston, Massachusetts

Ph.D. – 2024

Boston University, College of Arts and Sciences

Boston, Massachusetts

M.A. – 2016

University of Massachusetts at Amherst

Amherst, Massachusetts

B.A. – 2002

Honors: *cum laude*

Bar Admission

- Massachusetts

Professional Associations

- Hampden County Bar Association
- Real Estate Bar Association

Honors

- Moot Court Honor Board, 2023-2025
- Jurisprudence Award in Land Use Law, 2024
- Jurisprudence Award in Administrative Law, 2024
- Legal Practice Skills Best Oral Advocate Award, 2023
- Senior Leadership Award, 2002
- Eunice R. Konieczny Student Leadership Award, 2002
- Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society, 2002
- Commonwealth Honors Scholar, 1997-2002

Published Works

- [The 2024 Climate Act: Reducing Barriers to Speed Renewable Energy Development](#)
 - *The State Giveth, the State Taketh Away: State Law, Local Housing Production, and the Right to Appeal*, Suffolk Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy
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