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T. Jonathan Cook is a partner in the firm's Charleston office, where he focuses his practice on workers' compensation law and Federal Black Lung litigation. With extensive experience representing both self-insured and insured employers, Mr. Cook handles all aspects of occupational injury claims, occupational disease claims, and occupational pneumoconiosis claims. His practice also extends to defending coal companies and insurance carriers in complex claims under the Black Lung Benefits Act, navigating the intricate medical and legal issues that arise in these cases.

Mr. Cook frequently counsels self-insured employers, insurance carriers, and third-party administrators on workers' compensation matters, including benefits coordination, return-to-work strategies, and risk management. His work in Federal Black Lung litigation involves representing clients in administrative proceedings and appeals before the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Administrative Law Judges, the Benefits Review Board, and federal courts. He is well-versed in the medical and regulatory challenges associated with these claims and is committed to advocating for his clients in a highly technical and evolving area of law.

A respected member of the legal community, Mr. Cook is affiliated with the West Virginia State Bar, the Kanawha County Bar Association, and the West Virginia Defense Trial Counsel.

Mr. Cook earned two B.A. degrees from West Virginia University in 1999 and his J.D. from the West Virginia University College of Law in 2002. He understands that workers' compensation and Black Lung litigation pose not only financial risks but also significant operational challenges for employers. His goal is to provide comprehensive legal support, helping his clients manage these complexities effectively. Widely recognized throughout the legal and workers' compensation communities, Mr. Cook is known for his strategic defense work in West Virginia and beyond.

PRACTICE AREAS

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EDUCATION

West Virginia University (B.A., 1999)

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