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Practice Areas

Immigration Law
Higher Education Law
Labor and Employment

Bar Admissions

Missouri, 2020

Luke T. Phillips practices primarily in the area of immigration law, representing corporations and institutions of higher education with their immigration needs, including obtaining temporary and permanent visas, handling employer sanctions issues, I-9 and E-Verify employment eligibility verification compliance, consular processing, and naturalization.

Prior to joining the firm, Luke served as an Honors Attorney for the United States Postal Service. While in law school, Luke was a student law clerk to the Honorable Michael P. Mills of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi, and he served as a legal intern with the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Missouri. As a third-year law student, Luke wrote the article *Chevron in the States? Not So Much*, 89 Miss. L.J. 313 (2020), which was cited by Justice Neil Gorsuch in his dissent from the denial of *certiorari* in *Buffington v. McDonough, Secretary of the Veterans Affairs*, 598 U.S. ____ (2022).

Education

J.D., University of Mississippi School of Law, magna cum laude, 2020

- Executive Articles Editor, Mississippi Law Journal
- William C. Keady American Inn of Court
- Dean’s Leadership Council

B.A., University of Mississippi, magna cum laude, 2017

- Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College
- Center for Intelligence and Security Studies
- Lott Leadership Institute

Professional Affiliations

- The Missouri Bar
- American Immigration Lawyers Association

Selected Publications and Presentations

- “Hot Immigration Topics and DOJ Gone Wild,” Tueth Keeney Higher Education Law Seminar, June 2023
- “Immigration Law Updates That In-House Counsel Need to Know,” Association of Corporate Counsel - St. Louis Chapter, August 2022 Newsletter
- “What’s on the Horizon: Employment-Based Immigration Update,” Association of Corporate Counsel, CLE Lunch, November 2021
- *Chevron in the States? Not So Much*, 89 Miss. L.J. 313 (2020) (cited in *Buffington v. McDonough, Secretary of the Veterans Affairs*, 598 U.S. ____ (2022) (Gorsuch, J., dissenting from denial of *certiorari*))
- *The Future of ISIS and U.S. Counterterrorism: A Study of ISIS, Boko Haram, Al-Shabaab, and the U.S. Policy Response*, Honors Theses 597 (2017)
- “Russian Foreign Policy in the Middle East in the Next Five Years,” Presenter, Five Eyes Conference in Ottawa, Canada (October 2015)

