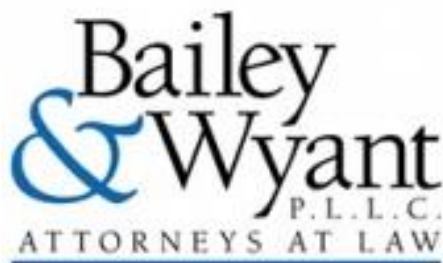


# West Virginia



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## **Bailey & Wyant, PLLC successfully defends the WVDHHR**

Bailey&Wyant PLLC's Equity Member Kelly Morgan and Of Counsel Kristen Hammond of the Charleston office successfully defended the West Virginia Department of Human Resources in an appeal to the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

The Plaintiff asserted claims of breach of contract, promissory estoppel, as well as negligent and fraudulent inducement, concealment and execution. Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. Hammond obtained a dismissal from the Kanawha County Circuit Court on behalf of DHHR. The West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals affirmed the Circuit Court's grant of summary judgment in favor of WVDHHR and concluded that the Circuit Court appropriately found that the Petitioner's Complaint failed to present a genuine issue for trial based on sovereign immunity, qualified immunity, and the gist of the action doctrine.