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OVERVIEW

David Ortiz is a commercial and employment litigation attorney who represents clients in diverse business disputes and industries. David has experience with breach of contract disputes, unfair trade practices, state constitutional issues and various business-related claims. In addition, David has represented businesses in employment litigation matters in state and federal court as well as in arbitration, defending claims for discrimination, retaliation, harassment, wrongful termination, severance issues and other employment-related claims.

David joined Smith Anderson in 2019 after clerking for the Honorable James C. Dever III in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. David graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2018. While in law school, David was the Managing Editor for Business of the *Journal of Law and Politics*, represented asylum applicants as part of the Immigration Law Clinic, and was a summer associate for a national law firm in Washington D.C. Before law school, David graduated in 2015 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with highest distinction.

CREDENTIALS

Recognition

Managing Editor for Business and Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Law and Politics*

Clerkships

Law Clerk to the Honorable James C. Dever III, Eastern District of North Carolina

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 2018

- University of North Carolina, *with highest distinction*, B.A., 2015
 - Phi Beta Kappa
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