

## WALTER "FRITZ" METZINGER, III

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### OVERVIEW

Fritz Metzinger concentrates his practice on general business litigation, representing clients in matters such as breach of lease claims and termination disputes, while also assisting companies against claims of securities violations, fraud and contractual breach.

Fritz's accomplishments include winning an appeal before the Louisiana Fourth Circuit and assisting a sports team in a confidentiality dispute. An avid sports fan, Fritz has dabbled in sports writing and appeared on an episode of *Sports Jeopardy!* He also utilizes his extensive knowledge of sports law to discuss NCAA regulations with the media.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Regularly conducts legal research and assists with motions, motion response, oral arguments, and depositions on a wide variety of matters.
- Assisted in representation of international restaurant management and operations company against claims of securities violations, fraud, and contractual breach.
- Represented rental property management company in having claims of breach of lease by former apartment lessee dismissed.
- Represented financial broker in dispute with former brokerage firm over termination.

### PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association member, Chair of the Sports-Related Disputes Subcommittee of the Business and Corporate Litigation Committee, Business Law Section member, and Co-Chair of the Litigation Section's Young Lawyers Committee.
- Louisiana State Bar Association House of Delegates member.
- Federal Bar Association member.
- International Association of Gaming Advisors member.

### HONORS & AWARDS

- *The Best Lawyers in America: One to Watch* 2023 and 2024.
- *Louisiana Super Lawyers Rising Star* 2021 - 2023.
- *New Orleans Magazine* "Top Lawyer" 2022 and 2023.
- *New Orleans CityBusiness* 2022 Leadership in Law honoree.

### PRACTICE AREAS

Business Litigation

Gaming

### INDUSTRIES

Gaming

Sports and Entertainment

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Louisiana

### EDUCATION

Tulane University Law School, J.D.,  
*magna cum laude*, 2017

- Order of the Coif
- Online Editor, *Tulane Law Review*
- Legal Research and Writing Senior Fellow
- Dean's Medal
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award

University of Virginia, B.A., *with distinction*, 2013

### CLERKSHIPS

Judicial Extern for Judge Martin L.C. Feldman at the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

## PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "The Current, Chaotic Legal Landscape of NCAA Student-Athlete Compensation," New Orleans Bar Association, CLE, August 29, 2023.

Panelist, "Emerging Issues in Sports: What's on the Horizon For Young Professionals," 2023 Tulane Entertainment and Sports Law Conference, March 4, 2023.

Panelist, "Trial Preparation and Practice," New Orleans Bar Association 2022 Procrastinators' Programs, December 28, 2022.

Panel Moderator, ABA Section Roundtable: "Moving from Law School Student to Lawyer," ABA Litigation Section, September 29, 2022.

Panelist, CLE Program: "Recent Developments in Business & Corporate Litigation," ABA Business Law Section CLE, March 31, 2022.

Panelist, "Antitrust and the NCAA: Should College Athletes Be Paid to Play?," New Orleans Bar Association, CLE, June 3, 2021.

Panelist, "Premises Liability Implications of Mass Shooting Events," Association of Corporate Counsel, Louisiana Chapter, October 31, 2018.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Chapter Author, *Recent Developments in Sports-Related Disputes*, American Business Law Section Annual Publication, 2022.
- Author, *For the Love of the Frame: How Behavioral Economics Helps Explain the NCAA Grant-in-Aid Cap's Perplexing Antitrust Vitality*, 91 Tul. L. Rev. 595.