

Elizabeth G. Vanasse

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OVERVIEW:

Elizabeth is a valued member of the firm's Real Estate Practice Group. With a strong focus on real estate, zoning, and land use law, she represents a diverse range of clients, including engineers, developers, property owners, and businesses. Elizabeth frequently helps clients navigate the myriad of zoning and land use regulations, serving as a valuable resource to those looking to develop residential and commercial properties.

A Lancaster native, Elizabeth has a strong connection to the local community, which gives her an advantage when navigating the area's zoning regulations and real estate development processes. Her familiarity with Lancaster's growth trends and her desire to contribute to the region's continued development drive her to assist clients in creating housing and business spaces that meet the needs of the community.

Elizabeth's detail-oriented approach, combined with her emphasis on clear and proactive communication, allows her to meet her clients' needs across a wide range of legal matters. Whether advising on real estate transactions, zoning disputes, or business matters, she provides thoughtful, client-centered counsel.

Before joining Barley Snyder, Elizabeth worked at the firm as a summer associate. She also interned with the University of Richmond's Children's Defense Clinic where she collaborated with Virginia's Parole Board to update parole guidelines for juveniles, aligning them with recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions. Elizabeth received the Orell-Brown Award for Clinical Excellence in the Children's Law Center upon graduation.

During law school, Elizabeth interned with a small firm in Richmond, Virginia where she discovered a zeal for cultivating strong attorney-client relationships. During the summers of her undergraduate years, she interned at her family's Lancaster-based workers' compensation law firm. Her passion for the law stemmed from a young age as Elizabeth's father, mother and brother are all attorneys.

While not practicing law, Elizabeth enjoys exploring the restaurant scene in the Red Rose City, watching Premier League soccer and riding horses. She currently lives in downtown Lancaster with her husband.

EDUCATION:

- University of Richmond School of Law, J.D., magna cum laude
- College of William and Mary, Bachelor of Arts in English and French/Francophone Studies, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

ADMISSIONS:

- Pennsylvania

PRACTICE AREAS:

- Real Estate
- Corporate Transparency Act Response Team
- Land Use
- PA Annual Report Response Team

INDUSTRY GROUPS:

- Construction

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Lancaster Law Foundation
Board of Directors

Lancaster Bar Association Real Estate Section
Co-chair

MEMBERSHIPS:

- Lancaster Bar Association
- Lancaster Young Professionals

AWARDS/RECOGNITION:

- CALI Awards for Excellence in: Contracts (Fall 2020), Children and the Law (Fall 2021), and Advanced Clinical Placement in the Children's Defense Clinic (Spring 2023)
- Dean's Scholar

PRESENTATIONS :

- Navigating the Agreement of Sale: Key Contingencies, Timelines, and Lessons from the Field, Wake Up With Barley: A Morning on Real Estate Seminar (June 2025)
- "PA Act 233's Annual Reporting Requirements: What Attorneys and Their Clients Need to Know", Lancaster Bar Association (December 2024)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Advanced to fluent in written and spoken French

RELATED NEWS:

- Barley Snyder Attorney Elizabeth Vanasse Appointed to Lancaster Law Foundation Board of Directors
  March 11, 2025
- Corporate Transparency Act: Filing Deadline Fast Approaching
  October 23, 2024
- PA Annual Reporting: How to Know if it Affects Your Business and How to Prepare
  September 19, 2024
- The Corporate Transparency Act: What to Know About the Exemption for Large Operating Companies

January 12, 2024

- New Associate Attorneys Added to Barley Snyder Team
  October 10, 2023