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Biography

William Ogles is an associate with Hall Booth Smith in Little Rock. William's practice focuses on providing creative and effective solutions for clients navigating the administrative and legal landscapes throughout the state of Arkansas.

Before joining HBS, William gained extensive experience at several local law firms, where he managed litigation matters from inception to settlement or trial. He provided guidance on regulatory issues before various Arkansas state agencies and developed a strong track record of successful advocacy.

William served as counsel for a technology company in federal court, securing a contested preliminary injunction to strike down a local ordinance in violation of Arkansas law. This case culminated in a permanent injunction in favor of his client, entered by consent decree. Additionally, he received a favorable jury verdict in Tampa, FL when he represented a local music venue against a high-profile musician.

William received his Juris Doctor from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, where he held clerkships at various Little Rock law firms and gained valuable experience as a Rule XV certified law

Services

Business Litigation

Energy, Regulatory, & Utilities

General Liability

Government Affairs

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clerk at the Pulaski County Public Defender's Office. In that role, he represented indigent clients from Pulaski and Perry Counties. William earned his Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Arkansas, where he was active in various campus leadership roles and Sigma Chi Fraternity. He also serves on the Board of Directors for The Hat Club, a nonprofit organization that supports a variety of nonprofits in central Arkansas through advocacy, volunteerism and fundraising.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- Arkansas

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Arkansas

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Education

- J.D., University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2018
- B.B.A., University of Arkansas, 2015

Memberships

- Arkansas Association of Defense Counsel
- Arkansas Bar Association
    - Chair of Annual Meeting, June 2025
    - Chair, Young Lawyers Section, 2022-2023

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- Arkansas Public Service Academy
- Pulaski Bar Association

Recognition

- Judith Ryan Gray Outstanding Young Lawyer Service Award, Arkansas Bar Association, 2021-2022
- Frank C. Elcan II Leadership Award, Arkansas Bar Association, 2022-2023

In the Press

Decrypting “Crypto” in Arkansas’s Regulatory Landscape

June 2, 2025

Over the past decade, cryptomining—born of exponential advances in computing power and the market’s demand for a secure, decentralized currency—rapidly evolved from a niche Silicon Valley venture into a global, capital-intensive industry disrupting energy markets, regulatory frameworks, and local economies alike. In Arkansas,

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the rise of digital asset mining has triggered a legislative whiplash: first a red-carpet welcome, then a regulatory crackdown.

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Attorney William J. Ogles Joins HBS Little Rock

February 26, 2025

Hall Booth Smith is pleased to welcome Attorney William J. Ogles to its Little Rock office.

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