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Education

J.D., University of Pennsylvania
Law School, 2013 (*summa cum laude*;
Order of the Coif; Executive Editor,
University of Pennsylvania Law Review)
M.P.A., University of Pennsylvania, 2013
M.S.ED., University of Pennsylvania, 2010
B.A., Yale University, 2008
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Bar Admissions

Massachusetts
District of Columbia
Maryland
Pennsylvania

Experience

Law Clerk, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg,
U.S. Supreme Court (2016-17)
Bristow Fellow, Office of the Solicitor
General, U.S. Department of Justice
(2015-16)
Law Clerk, Hon. Anthony J. Scirica, U.S.
Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
(2014-15)
Law Clerk, Hon. Gene E.K. Pratter, U.S.
District Court for the Eastern District of
Pennsylvania (2013-14)

Recognized nationally as a rising star in the Supreme Court and appellate bar, Parker Rider-Longmaid has significant argument and briefing experience before federal and state appellate and trial courts across the United States. He has argued before the Supreme Court and the Second, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Ninth, and Tenth Circuits and led briefing and strategy in the Supreme Court and all of the federal circuit courts of appeals.

In *Reed v. Goertz*, Mr. Rider-Longmaid led a team from Skadden, the Innocence Project, and other firms to secure a U.S. Supreme Court victory for longtime pro bono client Rodney Reed, a Texas death-row inmate who has steadfastly maintained his innocence for more than two decades. Mr. Rider-Longmaid argued the case, his first before the Supreme Court, in October 2022, after convincing the Court to grant review in April 2022. In April 2023, the Court sided with Mr. Reed, reversing the Fifth Circuit and holding that his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 suit seeking DNA testing of crime-scene evidence was timely. The decision has significant ramifications for inmates with innocence claims seeking access to DNA testing.

Reed was one of four Supreme Court merits cases that Skadden's Supreme Court and Appellate Practice briefed and argued during the Court's 2022 Term — more than almost any other law firm. Mr. Rider-Longmaid helped guide strategy and lead drafting in each of those cases. He also helped convince the Court to grant review in two cases for the October 2023 Term, one case for the October 2024 Term, and another for the October 2025 Term.

Beyond the Supreme Court, Mr. Rider-Longmaid also plays leading roles in the Practice's major matters before the federal courts of appeals. His work ranges from constitutional and administrative law to tax, preemption, arbitration, antitrust, bankruptcy, class-certification, and employment, as well as federal Indian law, criminal defense and habeas corpus, and voting rights. Mr. Rider-Longmaid's work has led to significant wins, including:

- *Carter v. Local 556*: A victory for Southwest Airlines in a high-profile Title VII religious discrimination case before the Fifth Circuit, which reversed a jury verdict and an unprecedented contempt order against Southwest requiring its in-house lawyers to attend religious-liberty training; the win follows an earlier victory obtaining a rare stay pending appeal
- *Airlines for America v. Department of Transportation*: A unanimous (17-0) victory for Airlines for America before the en banc Fifth Circuit, convincing the court to vacate a Department of Transportation rule that dictated how airlines communicated with their customers about ancillary fees. The victory follows earlier success in obtaining a stay of the rule pending appeal because it likely exceeded the DOT's statutory authority
- *NextEra Energy Global Holdings B.V. v. Kingdom of Spain*: A precedent-setting victory for NextEra Energy and 9REN Holding in the D.C. Circuit, which held that the district court had jurisdiction under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act's arbitration exception to enforce approximately €400 million in awards the companies secured against the Kingdom of Spain for violating the Energy Charter Treaty
- *In re Credit Default Swaps Antitrust Litigation*: A victory on behalf of Citibank and affiliates before the Second Circuit, which upheld enforcement of a settlement release barring investment funds from asserting antitrust claims against a group of banks stemming from their participation in the credit default swaps market

- *CSX Transportation, Inc. v. Norfolk Southern Railway Co.*: A complete victory for Norfolk Southern Railway Co. before the Fourth Circuit in an antitrust case brought by CSX Transportation seeking hundreds of millions of dollars in damages, in which the Court agreed that CSX's claims were time-barred
- *Eaton Corporation & Subsidiaries v. Commissioner*: A groundbreaking victory for the Eaton Corporation in Sixth Circuit transfer-pricing cross-appeals with more than \$350 million at stake, where the court stated the "tax collector" is not "above the law" and "sid[ed] with Eaton on all issues presented"
- *Hunstein v. Preferred Collection & Management Services, Inc.*: An 8-4 victory on behalf of Preferred Collection and Management Services, Inc., before the en banc Eleventh Circuit, which ordered the district court to dismiss the plaintiff's Fair Debt Collection Practices Act claim for lack of Article III standing — a first-of-its-kind en banc opinion after the Supreme Court's decision in *TransUnion LLC v. Ramirez* (2021)
- *Airlines for America v. City and County of San Francisco*: A precedent-setting victory for Airlines for America (A4A) before the Ninth Circuit, which held that civil penalties can make government action regulatory and subject it to federal preemption, and remanded the case for the district court to consider A4A's preemption arguments under the Airline Deregulation Act, Employee Retirement Income Security Act, and Railway Labor Act
- *American Cruise Lines v. United States*: A victory for Viking USA LLC in the Second Circuit, which held that the U.S. Maritime Administration reasonably determined that a lease of a vessel allowed Viking to operate cruises along the Mississippi River, and that the agency complied with its notice-and-comment requirements — a question of first impression in the courts of appeals

Mr. Rider-Longmaid maintains an active pro bono practice, representing clients in criminal, habeas, immigration, and constitutional cases at all levels of the federal courts. For example, he secured a Fourth Circuit win for a defendant erroneously sentenced as a career offender, *United States v. Cannady*, and habeas relief for a client whose criminal defense attorney failed to provide him with the effective assistance of counsel guaranteed by the Sixth Amendment, *Cook v. Foster*, following oral arguments in which judges praised his advocacy.

In *State v. Organ*, Mr. Rider-Longmaid led a team to a precedent-setting Fourth Amendment victory before the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas, the state's high court for criminal cases. In an opinion joined by seven of the court's nine judges that tracked the points from Mr. Rider-Longmaid's oral argument and the team's briefs, the court affirmed the suppression of evidence following an unconstitutional search after a drug-detection dog physically intruded into the client's car for the purpose of obtaining information.

Mr. Rider-Longmaid was named as a recipient of a Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing in 2025 for co-authoring the July 2024 Skadden client alert "Supreme Court's Overruling of *Chevron* Deference to Administrative Agencies' Interpretations of Statutes Will Invite More Challenges to Agency Decisions." In recognition of his work, Mr. Rider-Longmaid was named one of *Law360's* 2025 Rising Stars (Top Attorneys Under 40) and a 2023 D.C. Rising Star by *The National Law Journal*, in addition to being repeatedly selected as one of *The Legal 500's* Rising Stars of the appellate bar, *Best Lawyers' Ones To Watch in America* (including in 2025) and *Benchmark Litigation's* 40 and Under (including in 2025). He was also named to *Lawdragon's* 500 X — The Next Generation list and 500 Leading Litigators in America list, and recognized as one of *Business Insider's* 2022 Rising Stars of the Courtroom. Additionally, in recognition of his pro bono work, he was named a Pro Bono Innovator by *Bloomberg Law*. Mr. Rider-Longmaid's success before the U.S. Supreme Court and federal courts of appeals contributed to Skadden's recognition on *The National Law Journal's* 2023 Appellate Hot List. Additionally, Mr. Rider-Longmaid's contributions to the firm's work on transportation industry matters helped Skadden to be named a 2025 *Law360* Transportation Group of the Year.

Before joining Skadden, Mr. Rider-Longmaid worked at another global law firm and served as a law clerk to Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (2016 to 2017). From 2015 to 2016, he served as a Bristow Fellow in the Office of the Solicitor General at the U.S. Department of Justice. During that time, he successfully argued a Second Circuit appeal, assisted with numerous cases before the Supreme Court and advised the Solicitor General on cases pending before the lower federal courts. Before that, Mr. Rider-Longmaid clerked for Judge Anthony J. Scirica of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and Judge Gene E.K. Pratter of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Before law school, Mr. Rider-Longmaid taught seventh and eighth-grade math and science in the School District of Philadelphia as a Teach for America Corps member.