## **Derick Wallace**

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Based in Washington D.C., Derick Wallace is a real estate development and transactional attorney. His practice includes acquisitions, dispositions, financing, development, and land use. Handling the full range of research, due diligence, drafting, and contract review, Derick is well-versed in helping clients navigate complex issues.

Prior to joining Goulston & Storrs, Derick worked as a summer associate with a large law firm and served as a Student Attorney for GW Law's Small Business and Community Economic Development Clinic. In the latter, he interfaced with nonprofit clients, addressed their unique needs, and devised strategic solutions. As a Law Clerk and Extern for the Equitable Housing Institute, he summarized Supreme Court decisions and drafted housing policy recommendations.

A lifelong leader and community builder, Derick served as the President of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA), managing a board of thirteen people, and founded the Black Mentorship Program (BMP) at Northwestern. While BLSA hosted an array of law school-wide programming, BMP developed and implemented a framework for mentorship between first-year students and upperclassmen. Currently, Derick is an active member of the Urban Land Institute and African American Real Estate Professionals.

### **Accolades**

 Washington Business Journal, Best Real Estate Deal of 2023 "People's Choice Award," and Community Impact Award, Representation of Girl Scouts Nation's Capital

### **Affiliations**

- · Urban Land Institute, Member
- African American Real Estate Professionals, Member
- Black Law Students Association, President (June 2020-May 2021)

### **Admissions**

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- Maryland
- · District of Columbia

### **Education**

- George Washington University Law School (J.D., 2022)
- Northwestern University (B.A., 2019)

### Representative Matters

### Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital Sale of Pristine Land for Conservation

Representation of the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital in the sale of approximately 540 acres of undeveloped land in Prince George's County, Maryland, to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Sale proceeds will allow the Council to create an Outdoor Legacy Fund to expand outdoor program opportunities for future generations of Girl Scouts in the national capital area.

The deal represents one of the biggest — if not the biggest — single land acquisitions by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the purpose of conservation.