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### **LAWYER SPOTLIGHT**

James Bayard was born and raised in Lafayette, Louisiana. He attended elementary school at Cathedral Carmel and high school at St. Thomas More where he played football and baseball. After graduating from STM in 1998, James attended the University of Louisiana at Lafayette majoring in political science and graduating in December of 2002. Between graduation and the start of law school in 2003, he enjoyed his time coaching youth baseball at Our Lady of Fatima, though his friends and family, most of who also went to Cathedral, still give him grief about wearing Fatima's colors that spring.

James attended law school at Loyola University School of Law where he was an editor on the Loyola Law Review. He has been with Onebane since his graduation in 2006.

James primarily practices in the area of family law, which includes uncontested and contested divorces and all related proceedings, including child and spousal support, custody and visitation, community property, restraining orders, and name changes. The best advice that James can give to his family law clients, as emotional as the divorce process may be, is to be reasonable and agreeable as much as possible, especially when there are children involved.

Outside of work, James enjoys playing golf when the temperature is less than 95 degrees and spending quality time with his beautiful wife, Caroline, and their dog, Beau. James and Caroline also enjoy attending Ragin Cajun football and baseball games with their friends and family.