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Brian Dorwin's practice in civil and administrative litigation is focused primarily on real estate law, including residential and commercial landlord-tenant law, Fair Housing Act compliance and regulatory compliance. Additionally, Brian has experience in complex construction litigation, discrimination defense, subsidized housing lease-ups and compliance and alternative dispute resolution. He also regularly assists owners of commercial and residential properties in business licensing and other matters of District of Columbia code compliance.

Education

- Wake Forest University School of Law (J.D.)
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (B.S., *cum laude*)

State Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia

Admitted in Virginia and the District of Columbia. Not admitted Maryland. All Maryland practice supervised by a Maryland attorney.

Professional Affiliations

- Property Management Association
- D.C. Bar Association, Real Estate, Housing and Land Use Section
- D.C. Bar Association
- Wake Forest Alumni Association
- Virginia Tech Alumni Association, National Capital Region Chapter

Services

- Landlord Representation
- Real Estate Law and Transactions
- Property Management
- Fair Housing

Videos

July 1, 2026

Property Management Playbook

Introducing the Property Management Playbook, a new video series from Offit Kurman's Landlord Representation group. Billy Cannon sits down with Brian Dorwin, Jennifer Jean-Gilles, and Gwen Roy-Harrison to break down what property management clients actually deal with day to...

April 24, 2026

Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act

In this episode of The DC Rental Act in Three Minutes, Offit Kurman attorneys Brian Dorwin and Gwen Roy Harrison break down how the Rental Act reshapes the Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) for DC multifamily properties. They...

April 17, 2026

Understanding Pleading Technicalities Under the DC Rental Act

In Episode 3 of The DC Rental Act in Three Minutes, Offit Kurman attorneys Robert Donahue and Brian Dorwin break down one of the most consequential—and least understood—changes in the new law: how courts handle pleading technicalities. They explain...

April 9, 2026

Navigating DC's Rental Act Changes in Eviction Procedures

In Episode 2 of The DC Rental Act in Three Minutes, Offit Kurman attorneys Brian Dorwin and Gwen Roy Harrison examine key changes to eviction procedures under the new Rental Act, with a focus on public safety cases. They...

March 24, 2026

The DC Rental Act in Three Minutes: A New Series

In this kickoff episode of The DC Rental Act in Three Minutes, Offit Kurman attorneys Brian Dorwin, Gwen Roy Harrison, and Rob Donahue introduce the sweeping legislative changes that took effect in Washington, DC on January 1, 2026. The...

Publications & News

November 10, 2022

Offit Kurman Names Three Principals to Practice Group Leader Roles

November 12, 2021

Offit Kurman Landlord Tenant Attorneys to Present “End of Year, State-of-the-Law Updates”

Featured Works

Speaking Engagements

- "Staying Ahead in the DC Rental Market: Legal & Legislative Insights for Independent

Landlords," Webinar, December 2025

- Speaker, "DC's NEW Rental Act - Updates to Landlord-Tenant Regulations and Laws",
Property Management Association, October 7, 2025