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Mitchell R. Edwards

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A passion for problem-solving has shaped Mitchell R. Edwards' legal practice and community service work. After graduating summa cum laude from Binghamton University in 1995, Edwards attended Cornell Law School, where he served as managing editor of the Cornell International Law Journal.

Following law school, Edwards got his start as a clerk with Rhode Island federal court Judge Robert Lovegreen. The judge taught Edwards the "value of one's reputation and the importance of practicing with integrity," he wrote in his 40 Under Forty application.

In 2000, he joined Morgan, Lewis, & Bockius LLP, where he put his federal clerkship experience to use, working on an eminent domain trial involving the valuation of a tower taken by the United States government.

In 2002, Edwards moved to Chadbourne & Parke LLP, where he represented an energy company before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in a dispute over billions of dollars in long-term contracts between the state of California and suppliers of wholesale energy.

Since 2004, Edwards has worked for Hinckley, Allen & Snyder LLP, rising to partner last year. He focuses on product liability and tort litigation, representing manufacturers and distributors in product defect, asbestos, silica and other toxic tort cases.

Edwards also actively supports charitable causes and serves clients pro bono. He recently represented the Welcome House homeless shelter, receiving an award for his efforts. He also successfully represented a Tibetan monk in his efforts to obtain political asylum. His particular area of concern is children. He has served as a child advocate and a mentor to young people.

In addition to his legal work, Edwards is vice chairman of the board of directors of Junior Achievement of Rhode Island. He is also a board member of the ACE Mentor Program of Rhode Island. ■



AGE: 35

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Tim Russert

FAVORITE BOOK:

"The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck

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