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Rory Schneider is a Supreme Court & Appellate associate in Mayer Brown's New York office. Rory's work focuses primarily on product liability cases: he has authored appellate briefs filed in the Eleventh Circuit and Florida state appellate courts, and he has worked on several jury trials, drafting motions *in limine*, motions for directed verdict, and motions for a new trial. Outside the product-liability context, Rory has drafted dispositive motions in securities matters, as well as motions and amicus briefs in pro bono cases addressing the rights of same-sex couples. Rory is also a contributor to Mayer Brown's punitive damages blog, *Guideposts*.

Prior to joining Mayer Brown in 2014, Rory served as a law clerk to Judge Marjorie O. Rendell of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. Rory also spent a year as a litigation associate at another international law firm, during which time he briefed and argued a criminal appeal in the New York Supreme Court Appellate Division, First Department. Rory received his JD *summa cum laude* from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where he was a comments editor on the Law Review.

### **SELECTED EXPERIENCE**

#### **Gifford v. McCarthy (New York)**

This case concerns whether a place of public accommodation may refuse services for weddings of same-sex couples in states that prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

#### **Masterpiece Cakeshop, Inc. v. Craig (Colorado)**

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