

## Dorrill in Law360: Why These Senior Attorneys Can't Quit Being Lawyers

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Haynes Boone Partner [Jeff Dorrill](#) spoke with *Law360* for a feature examining why certain attorneys continue their legal career as they get older.

Read an excerpt below.

*In the past 15 years, Jeff Dorrill has won multiple national championships as a triathlete, published a children's book and completed three graduate degrees. As he approaches 65, Dorrill's well-rounded life might suggest he's ripe for retirement from the law.*

*The Haynes Boone real estate attorney has no such plans: He continues to find his work interesting, and believes that it helps keep his brain engaged and stimulated.*

*"Almost everything I've learned in life has been [through] observing attorneys in my firm and other firms and trying to model them," Dorrill said. "They do it a little bit better than I do, and so that's super motivating to me."*

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*Among his numerous extracurricular pursuits and accomplishments, Dorrill is a multiple winner for his age group in the USA Ultra-Distance Triathlon National Championship, which involves a 26.2-mile run, a 2.4-mile swim and a 112-mile bicycle ride.*

*He believes that attorneys who pursue other interests outside the law not only are more likely to be well-rounded and physically and mentally healthy, but are also more likely to be better lawyers and appear more viable to their younger clients, as they learn lessons from those experiences.*

*"It's hard as a 65-year-old or a 70-year-old to have a connection to a 35-year-old," Dorrill said. "But if you're out there doing other things besides practicing law that are impressive, I think that's a great way to signal to that younger person that you're not at the end of your legal career."*

To read the full article from *Law360*, click [here](#).