



## **J. Patrick Haywood**

### **Director**

#### **About**

Patrick Haywood is sought after by clients and other attorneys for his insight into complex and novel issues. At his core, Patrick solves problems, though he is no stranger to the courtroom. He has tried over 70 cases to juries in his career and has appeared in nearly all of North Carolina's 100 counties.

To further advance his clients' interest, Patrick utilizes a deep bench of litigation and transactional talent at Carruthers & Roth. Whether your issue involves business matters, construction disputes, shareholder disputes, or any other needs of your business, Patrick and his team is ready and able to help.

Patrick has been recognized as a senior fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, an invitation-only trial lawyer honorary society composed of less than one-half of one percent of America's lawyers. He frequently lectures on construction-related issues for trade organizations and for groups of contractors, developers and design professionals.

#### **Education**

- North Carolina State University, B.A., Magna Cum Laude (1994)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, J.D. (2001)

#### **Representative Cases**

- Successfully defended a commercial utilities contractor in complex double wrongful death case involving alleged underground petroleum leak.
- Successfully defended a waterproofing subcontractor in a civil action brought by a state university for damages allegedly caused by a project defect resulting in mold contamination.
- Represented regional residential construction supplier as plaintiff in a civil action for unfair and deceptive trade practices arising out of claim for fraudulent lien waivers. Verdict was entered in client's favor, awarding treble damages and attorney's fees.
- Represented a national commercial HVAC subcontractor in multimillion dollar delay and schedule compression claim.
- Has successfully defended several national lenders in a lender liability case.
- Represented a client in a commercial property tax valuation case that

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resulted in a \$9 million reduction in tax value and a significant tax savings.

- Represented a client in a case involving a breach of a settlement agreement and breach of fiduciary responsibility. The client recovered punitive damages and a total reward exceeding \$1 million.

## **Professional Memberships and Activities**

- Litigation Counsel of America, Senior Fellow, 2018-Present
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow, 2011-2018
- NCDRC Certified Superior Court Mediator
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Greensboro Bar Association
- North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys
- North Carolina Bar Association, Construction Law Section
- North Carolina Bar Association, North Carolina Construction Law Section Council
- The Guilford American Inn of Court

## **Awards and Recognitions**

- Best Lawyers in America, 2018-2023
- Business North Carolina: Legal Elite, 2008-2021
- North Carolina Super Lawyers: Rising Star, 2010-2011
- North Carolina Super Lawyers, 2015-2021
- Triad Business Journal: 40 Leaders Under 40, 2010

## **Bar and Court Admissions**

- North Carolina, 2001
- U.S. District Courts for Eastern, Middle, and Western North Carolina

## **Practice Areas**

Litigation  
Construction  
Business Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Professional Liability Defense  
Banking Litigation  
Insurance Defense/Personal Injury  
Insurance Coverage

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August 26, 2022

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## **Carruthers & Roth Attorneys Named to 2022 “Best Lawyers” and 2022 “Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch” Lists**

August 19, 2021

### **NEWS**

## **Fifteen Carruthers & Roth Attorneys Named to 2021 Best Lawyers® List; One Attorney Named to 2021 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch**

Greensboro, N.C. – Carruthers & Roth, P.A. announced today that 15 of the firm’s attorneys representing 23 practice areas have been named to the 2021 Edition of The Best Lawyers in America®, five of whom were selected as “Lawyer of the Year” in their respective practice areas in the Triad area. One additional attorney has been included in the inaugural edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch.

August 21, 2020

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