

## Natalie M. Rice

### Partner

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Natalie has represented clients ranging from individuals to large corporate clients in a variety of litigation matters ranging from bet-the-company lawsuits to the negotiation of contract disputes. Natalie's personal and professional experiences before and during law school have contributed to her successes both inside and outside the courtroom.

Natalie is a member of Manning Fulton's litigation practice and focuses her practice on complex business, franchise, real estate, banking, construction, professional negligence and appellate litigation where she represents individuals and businesses involved in contract, title, corporate or general disputes. For the past two years, Natalie has been recognized by *North Carolina Super Lawyers* as a Rising Star.

Natalie regularly represents clients in the state and federal courts of North Carolina, the North Carolina Business Court and in AAA arbitrations. In addition to litigating at the trial court level, Natalie enjoys appellate practice and has represented a number of clients in appeals to the North Carolina Court of Appeals and North Carolina Supreme Court.

Natalie is a graduate of Campbell University's Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law. During her time in law school, Natalie served on the Editorial Board of Volume 33 of the *Campbell Law Review*. She was also selected to compete on the School's moot court competition teams that participated in national moot court competitions in D.C. and Chapel-Hill. Natalie's 2010 moot court team took home the award for "Best Brief" and her 2010 and 2011 moot court teams were both quarterfinalists in their competitions. Natalie is also a licensed NC Realtor. Prior to attending law school, Natalie worked as a legal assistant at a law firm in her hometown of Asheville, North Carolina, and spent three months backpacking through Europe.

When not working, Natalie can be found spending time with her family enjoying Raleigh's Greenway trails, the Triangle's many wonderful breweries and restaurants, or traveling far and wide in search of the perfect oyster.

### Credentials

### Services

- Complex Litigation
- Franchise Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Real Estate Litigation
- Appellate Litigation
- Professional Liability Defense
- Real Property Disputes and Condemnation

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## Education

- Campbell University Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law (J.D., *Advocacy Track*, 2011)
  - Order of Old Kivett (*for exemplary representation in regional and national advocacy competitions*)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (B.A. in Political Science, Minor in English, *with distinction*, 2004)

## Admitted to Practice

- State of North Carolina, 2011
- United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of North Carolina, 2011

## Professional Activities

- *North Carolina Super Lawyers*, Rising Star – 2016 to present
- North Carolina Bar Association – 2011 to present
  - Litigation Section
  - Appellate Section
  - Real Property Section
- Wake County Bar Association – 2011 to present
- American Bar Association – 2011 to present
- North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys – 2012 – 2017
- North Carolina Land Title Association – 2013 – 2016

## Community Engagement

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**Wake County Volunteer Lawyers Program** – 2012 to present

### North Carolina Bar Association

- Pro Bono Activities Committee – 2013 – 2015

### NC Museum of Art Contemporaries Board of Trustees

- Board Member – 2014 – 2015