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Joe Davies Named Partner at Smith Debnam

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Raleigh, N.C. (February 9, 2021) – Smith Debnam, a regional law firm with offices in Raleigh, North Carolina, and Charleston, South Carolina, today announced that attorney [Joseph A. Davies](#) has been named a partner of the firm. Davies has been with Smith Debnam since 2019. His practice focuses on complex construction law litigation.

[Joe Davies](#) is a member of the firm's construction law group and has an extensive background in lien filings and construction litigation. He represents construction companies and small business owners in lease negotiations and complex litigation matters. His clients include general contractors and subcontractors, as well as property managers, landlords, commercial tenants, equipment rental companies, and building material suppliers.



“Joe has been with the firm less than two years but has done great work since he arrived,” said [Byron Saintsing](#), a senior partner in the firm's construction law and litigation practice group. “We are lucky to have Joe working in our practice group, and we are glad to see him become a partner in the firm.”

As a member of the firm's [construction law](#) group, Davies represents construction companies and small business owners in lease negotiations and complex litigation matters. His clients include general contractors and subcontractors, as well as property managers, landlords, commercial tenants, equipment rental companies, and building material suppliers. Davies has an extensive background in lien filings and construction litigation that spans all types and sizes—from summary ejectments in small claims court to collection actions and construction disputes in district and superior court.

“We are excited to have Joe as one of our newest partners,” said Smith Debnam Managing Partner [Jerry Myers](#). “His highly detailed approach and vast experience in complex litigation have contributed greatly to the success of our litigation team. Joe is a true asset to the firm.”

Jerry Myers is Smith Debnam's Managing Partner and for more than 30 years, he has focused his practice in the area of creditors' rights, with an emphasis on debt collection, judgment enforcement, and commercial litigation. Jerry is certified by the American Board of Certification as a Specialist in the field of Creditors Rights law. Jerry is a past President of the Commercial Law League of America and was the first President of the North Carolina Creditors Bar Association. He has written and lectured



Davies earned his B.A. magna cum laude from the University of Richmond and his J.D. with honors from Duke University School of Law. He is licensed to practice before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and all federal and state courts in North Carolina.

About Smith Debnam

Founded in 1972, Smith Debnam is a leading, multi-practice regional law firm for institutions and private individuals who value a responsible and caring approach from an accomplished team of experienced legal professionals. Headquartered in Raleigh, North Carolina, with an additional office in Charleston, South Carolina, the firm represents clients in Banking, Financial Services, Equipment Leasing, Construction, Mortgage

extensively on debt collection and judgment enforcement, including CLE presentations sponsored by Wake Forest University School of Law, the North Carolina Bar Foundation, the Commercial Law League of America, and the National Association of Retail Collection Attorneys.

Servicing, Manufacturing, and Professional Services industries. Smith Debnam has extensive experience in state and federal courts across a diverse list of practice areas, including Corporate and Business Law, Business Litigation, Commercial Bankruptcy and Reorganization, Foreclosures, Creditor Representation, Consumer Collections, Commercial & Residential Real Estate, Construction Law, Employment Law, Equipment Leasing & Finance, Family Law, Elder Law & Advocacy Services, Trusts & Estates, and Probate Litigation.

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Byron Saintsing leads a practice group focused on matters involving



construction law, commercial and business litigation, representation of equipment lessors, charter schools, and education law, and commercial creditor bankruptcy. Byron has written and lectured on matters pertaining to construction and equipment leasing. Including equipment materials on North Carolina's adoption of Article 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code.

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