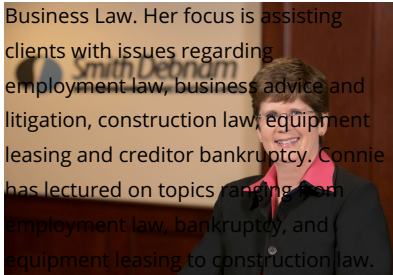


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Smith Debnam Attorney Selected to Business North Carolina's 2016 Legal Elite

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Raleigh, N.C. (February 8, 2016) – Raleigh-based law firm Smith Debnam today announced that Smith Debnam Partner and Employment Law attorney [Connie E. Carrigan](#) has been selected to Business North Carolina's 2016 Legal Elite.

Since 2002, *Business North Carolina* magazine has honored exceptional lawyers with [Business North Carolina's Legal Elite](#), a listing of the state's top lawyers in business-related categories. Winners are chosen not by the publication's editors but by the state's lawyers. This listing has become the model for other awards and lists, but it remains unique as the only award that gives every active lawyer in the state the opportunity to participate. Business North Carolina's Legal Elite includes the top lawyers chosen using this statewide ballot.

Connie has been practicing in the field of small business representation since 1990 and holds an AV Preeminent rating from Martindale-Hubbell®. She regularly lectures on topics ranging from employment law, commercial bankruptcy, equipment leasing, and construction law. She's an avid writer on these topics as well, benefiting both attorneys and businesses seeking advice and counsel on these matters.

Connie is a member of the Bankruptcy Law and Labor – Employment Law sections of the North Carolina Bar Association. She is a member of the Wake County Bar Association, American Bankruptcy Institute, National Association of Credit Management, Society for Human Resource Management, Raleigh-Wake Human Resource Management Association, and Chair of the [Primerus Labor and Employment Law Group](#).

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