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ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Christina McAlpin Taylor is a partner in the firm and member of the firm's creditors' rights practice group. She represents a wide range of businesses through all stages of creditor representation, including pre-suit collection efforts, lawsuits, judgments, and executions. Christina has earned numerous awards within the legal community for her leadership and professionalism.



[Samuel D. Fleder](#) is a partner and member of the firm's Alcohol Beverage and [Creditors Rights](#) practice groups. He concentrates his practice in the areas of business consulting, trademark disputes, regulatory compliance, and construction and commercial litigation in the alcoholic beverage and financial industries. Sam has experience in all aspects of litigation, including motion hearings, depositions, complex discovery matters, trials, appeals, and often most importantly, helping his clients resolve active or threatened



Smith Debnam Attorneys volunteer with Junior Achievement

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Over the past 6 weeks, Smith Debnam attorneys [Christina McAlpin Taylor](#), [Sam Fleder](#) and [Lauren Reeves](#) volunteered in an 8th Grade class at Carroll Middle School as part of the Junior Achievement program. These three teamed together to lead the class entitled "JA Economics for Success," which is focused on teaching and informing students about the direct link between their education and their careers, as well as providing economic lessons geared toward personal financial responsibility.

Throughout the six week program, they discussed:

- How to define and assess each student's skills, interests and values
- The direct link between higher education and availability of career choices and financial independence
- Financial repercussions of purchasing goods/services on credit, debit
- Budgeting, saving and spending
- Credit and credit reports

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating students about workforce readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy through experiential, hands-on programs. Christina, Sam and Lauren all practice creditors' rights law and are committed to educating the next generation with respect to financial literacy and responsibility.

litigation efficiently while protecting their business interests. Sam advises clients across the country and is involved in legal representation and litigation across North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia.

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