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Jeriel Thomas is an associate in the firm's foreclosure group, representing creditors in foreclosure and collections matters. She ran a private practice in Greenville, South Carolina, providing clients with legal advice and representation on business formation and contracts, domestic relations, and estate planning matters.



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 extensively on debt collection and judgment enforcement, including CLE presentations sponsored by Wake Forest

Smith Debnam Expands Creditors' Rights Practice with New Hire

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Raleigh, N.C. (July 12, 2017) – Smith Debnam announced today the addition of South Carolina licensed attorney [Jeriel Thomas](#) to the firm. Thomas joins the firm as an associate attorney within the firm's expanding creditors' rights practice group. She will concentrate her practice in representing creditors in foreclosure and collections matters.

"We are thrilled to welcome Jeriel to the firm, and we look forward to witnessing her accomplishments," said [Jerry T. Myers](#), Smith Debnam managing partner. "With her experience and business sense, there's no question she will bring an added dimension to our creditors' rights practice."

Before joining Smith Debnam, Thomas served clients through her independent practice in Greenville, South Carolina, as well as in association with Raleigh-based law firm Goddard & Peterson, PLLC. Thomas graduated cum laude from Clemson University with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and a minor in Business Administration. She earned her Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) from Clemson University and her Juris Doctor (J.D.) from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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