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### ABOUT THE AUTHORS



Elizabeth is a partner at Smith Debnam and a member of the firm's Corporate and Business law practice group. In her work, she represents local and regional banks, lenders, small business owners, and investors in corporate transactional and business litigation matters, such as contract disputes, bankruptcy, foreclosure, debtor/creditor law, loan modification agreements, and commercial leasing.



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

## Smith Debnam Welcomes Attorney Elizabeth Blackwell

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**Raleigh, N.C. (April 30, 2020)** – Smith Debnam today announced the addition of South Carolina attorney [Elizabeth A. Blackwell](#) to the firm. Blackwell joins Smith Debnam as a partner within the firm's corporate and business law practice group. Blackwell will concentrate her practice in the area of business litigation, commercial leasing, creditors' rights, foreclosure, and commercial bankruptcy. She will operate out of Smith Debnam's South Carolina office located in downtown Charleston.

Before joining Smith Debnam, Blackwell worked at Turner Padgett Graham and Laney, where she represented financial institutions and corporate clients in transactional matters involving real estate, restructuring agreements, and contract negotiations. Blackwell earned her undergraduate degree in 2005 from the University of Georgia, and her J.D. and M.B.A from the University of South Carolina in 2009.

"We're thrilled to welcome Elizabeth to our firm," said [Jerry Myers](#), Smith Debnam's Managing Partner. "Her addition bolsters our business litigation capacity in South Carolina, and her experience in creditors' rights and bankruptcy litigation fits nicely with our existing capabilities. We look forward to leveraging her strengths and experience as we continue to expand our footprint in South Carolina to better serve our clients."

Blackwell is licensed in South Carolina, and her client representations include local and regional banks, lenders, small business owners, and investors.

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### 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 Servicing, Manufacturing, and Professional Services industries. Smith Debnam has

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.



Ron Jones is a partner at Smith Debnam and a certified specialist in bankruptcy and debtor-creditor law by the South Carolina Supreme Court. Ron concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial law and bankruptcy, including all areas of creditors' rights, such as the Uniform Commercial Code, Consumer Protection Code, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Claim and Delivery, Replevin, Foreclosure Law, Real Estate and Bankruptcy. Ron represents both secured and unsecured creditors, lenders, lessors, investors, asset purchasers, creditors' committees, and occasionally, debtors.

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, Probate Litigation, and Tax Law.

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