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### Professional Experience

Jenna's practice experience encompasses various areas of civil litigation in both the federal and state courts and before the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. She advises clients and litigates cases involving all forms of commercial disputes, including contract breaches, business disputes, fraud, and securities litigation. Her practice also involves various forms of trusts and estates litigation, including will caveats, trust modification, and fiduciary duty litigation.

Prior to joining the firm, Jenna practiced in Atlanta, Georgia, and from 1995 to 1996 served as law clerk to the Honorable Malcolm J. Howard, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

### Practice Concentrations

Business and Commercial Litigation

Fiduciary Litigation

Unfair and Deceptive Trade  
Practices

Misappropriation of Trade Secrets

Trusts and Estate Litigation

Contract and Securities Litigation

General Civil Litigation

### Education

J.D., *cum laude*, Wake Forest  
School of Law, 1995. Moot Court  
Board, Notes and Comments Editor,  
[Wake Forest Law Review](#).

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Wake  
Forest University, 1992

### Admitted to Practice

North Carolina, 1996

Georgia, 1996

All state courts in Georgia

All state courts in North Carolina

United States Court of Appeals for  
the Fourth Circuit

United States District Court for the  
Eastern, Middle, and Western  
Districts of North Carolina

United States District Court for the  
Middle and Northern Districts of  
Georgia

United States Supreme Court



## Honors and Distinctions\*

The Best Lawyers in America, 2010-2020

"Super Lawyer," North Carolina Super Lawyers, 2006-2011

"Super Lawyer," North Carolina Super Lawyers, Top 50 Women, 2008-2009



## Representative Experience

Successful representation of a national company in a nine-year multi-million dollar non-compete case

Successful representation of a trustee against attempts to undo a multi-million dollar trust

Successful representation of clients defrauded of financial investments by a family member

Successful representation of an employee against allegations of trade secret misappropriation

## Professional and Community Affiliations

American Bar Association — Sections: Litigation (member, Commercial and Business Litigation, Pretrial Practice and Discovery, Real Estate Litigation, Securities Litigation, and The Woman Advocate Committees); Real Property, Trust and Estate Law

Federal Bar Association

Fifth Judicial District Bar Association (past president)

Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit

New Hanover County Bar Association (past president)

North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys

North Carolina Bar Association — Sections: Antitrust & Complex Business Disputes Law (section council treasurer); Estate Planning and Fiduciary Law; Litigation

North Carolina Supreme Court Historical Society

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\* Please see the following websites for an explanation of the membership standards for the following recognitions: [www.bestlawyers.com](http://www.bestlawyers.com); [businessnc.com/special-sections/legal-elite/](http://businessnc.com/special-sections/legal-elite/); and [www.superlawyers.com/north-carolina](http://www.superlawyers.com/north-carolina).

