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Professional Experience

Greg is certified by the National Elder Law Foundation as a Certified Elder Law Attorney (CELA). He also is certified by the North Carolina State Bar both as a Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law and as a Board Certified Specialist in Elder Law.

Greg frequently lectures to civic and community groups and at continuing legal education seminars on various topics relating to estate planning and administration and Medicaid planning.

Prior to attending law school, he was a trust officer in Retirement Plan Services for First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Practice Concentrations

Business Succession Planning

Elder Law

Estate and Gift Taxation

Estate Planning and Estate Administration

Wills, Trusts, and Guardianship Law

Education

J.D., Wake Forest School of Law, 1996. *Wake Forest Law Review*, Moot Court Board.

B.S., The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1990

Admitted to Practice

North Carolina, 1996

All state courts in North Carolina

United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

Honors and Distinctions*

"The Best Lawyers in America," Best Lawyers® 2010-2022

"Super Lawyer," *Super Lawyers*, 2017-2022

"Legal Elite," *Business North Carolina*, Tax/Estate Planning, 2010, 2013-2016, 2018, 2021-2022

"Lawyer of the Year," Best Lawyers®, 2015



Professional and Community Affiliations

Arendell Parrott Academy (board of trustees 2008-present; executive committee 2010-2012; secretary 2012-2015; vice-president 2016-present)

National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys

National Elder Law Foundation

New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce (Leadership Craven Alumnus, Class of 2000)

North Carolina Bar Association — Sections: Elder & Special Needs Law; Estate Planning & Fiduciary Law

North Carolina Community Foundation (Craven County affiliate board member 2003-present)

North Carolina State Bar — Specialty Committee: Estate Planning and Probate Law

Southeast Fellows Institute of the American College of Trusts and Estate Counsel, Class of '21

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