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Professional Experience

Jenna's practice experience encompasses various areas of complex civil litigation in both the federal and state courts. 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 and other estate litigation, trusts disputes and modifications, and other fiduciary duty litigation.

Prior to joining the firm, Jenna practiced in Atlanta, Georgia, and from 1995 to 1996, served as a 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

Camp Lejeune Water Claims

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, Best Lawyers[®], 2010-2024

"Legal Elite," *Business North Carolina*, Antitrust, 2023

"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

Federal Bar Association

Fifth Judicial District Bar Association (past president)

Judicial Conference of the Fourth Circuit (member)

National Charity League

New Hanover County Bar Association (past president)

North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys

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

North Carolina Supreme Court Historical Society

United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina (Local Civil Rules Committee member)

** 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.*