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### Professional Experience

John's practice experience encompasses various areas of litigation. He has represented many clients in personal injury and wrongful death cases and has obtained multi-million dollar verdicts in these types of cases. Other areas of his litigation practice in Greenville and Wilmington include representation of clients in business and corporate litigation and in family law, with an emphasis on equitable distribution cases involving significant and complex assets.

John is certified by the North Carolina State Bar as a Board Certified Specialist in Family Law.

### Practice Concentrations

Commercial and Business Law

Equitable Distribution

Insurance Litigation

### Education

J.D., Wake Forest School of Law, 1975. Associate Editor, Wake Forest Law Review.

B.A., *with high honors*, North Carolina State University, 1972

### Admitted to Practice

North Carolina, 1975

All state courts in North Carolina

United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

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

## Honors and Distinctions\*

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Best Lawyers<sup>®</sup>, 1995-2025

"Legal Elite," *Business North Carolina*, 2009, 2020-2024

"Super Lawyer," Business Litigation, *North Carolina Super Lawyers*, 2006-2024

"Top 100: North Carolina Super Lawyer," *North Carolina Super Lawyers*, 2018, 2020



## Professional and Community Affiliations

American Association for Justice

North Carolina Advocates for Justice — Sections: Auto Torts, Family Law, Professional Negligence

North Carolina Bar Association — Sections: Dispute Resolution; Family Law, council member; Litigation

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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).