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Mark Davidson plans, negotiates, and documents a wide variety of transactions in the life of a business, including organization, equity and debt financing, executive compensation, taxation, acquisitions, dispositions, and management/ownership succession. He has broad knowledge of the laws regulating business entity organization and governance, corporate and partnership taxation, private placement of securities, and contracts, and assists business owners in their estate planning.

Honors & Awards

- Recognized as a member of North Carolina's "Legal Elite Hall of Fame" (2010) for earning the top number of votes in Business Law by *Business North Carolina* magazine
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* in Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Securities Law, and Tax Law
- Recognition by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* as a leader in North Carolina in Corporate Law / Mergers & Acquisitions

Professional & Community Activities

- President-Elect and Member of Board of Directors, Preservation Greensboro, Inc., 2008--

Practice Areas

Corporate

Tax

Trusts & Estates

Education

University of Virginia, J.D.,
1983, Order of the Coif,
Executive Editor, *Virginia Tax Review*, 1982-83

University of North Carolina at
Chapel Hill, B.A., 1980, Phi
Beta Kappa, Phi Beta Sigma

- Vice Chair, 2008--, LLC Act Task Force, North Carolina Bar Association
- Chair, 2005-2007, Vice Chair, 2003-2005, and Member, Business Law Section Council, North Carolina Bar Association
- Member and Past Chairman, Business Organizations Committee, North Carolina Bar Association
- Past Chairman, Cross-Entity Mergers and Conversions Legislative Drafting Committee, North Carolina Bar Association
- Member, Tax Law Section Council, North Carolina Bar, 1999-2002
- Past CLE Course Planner, Business Law Section, North Carolina Bar Association
- Member, Board of Directors, Piedmont Triad Partnership, 2007-2009
- Member, Board of Directors, Piedmont Triad Entrepreneurial Network, 2006-2008
- Past President and Director, Nat Greene Kiwanis
- Member, Board of Directors, and Past President, Triad Youth Lacrosse Association
- Parade Chairman, Fun Fourth Festival
- Past Chair, Community Enrichment Venture Grant Committee, United Way of Greater Greensboro
- Graduate, Leadership Greensboro

Articles, Publications & Speeches

- "Joint Venture Operating Agreements," 2009 Business Law Institute, North Carolina Bar Association
- "Section 409A Requires Changes in Drafting Executive Stock Options," [Notes Bearing Interest](#)
- "Representing Seller in Deferred Payment Acquisitions; When Less May Be More and Other Practice Pointers," [Notes Bearing Interest](#)
- "An Introduction to Cross-Entity Mergers and Conversions," Business Law Section CLE, North Carolina Bar Association
- "The Corporate General Partner - Family Limited Partnerships Provide New Life for an Old Friend," [Notes Bearing Interest](#)
- "Federal Income Taxation of Cross-Entity Mergers and Conversions," Tax Law Section CLE, North Carolina Bar Association

- "Choice of Entity in 1997 and Beyond," Business Law Section CLE, North Carolina Bar Association
- "Joint Ventures," CPA Continuing Education
- "Divisive Reorganizations," CPA Continuing Education
- "Partnership Taxation," CPA Continuing Education
- "Cross Entity Mergers and Conversion," [The Will and the Way](#)
- "North Carolina Business Entity Changes," Business Law Section CLE, North Carolina Bar Association

Seminars & Speaking Engagements

- Davidson to Present at 2009 Business Law Institute

Bar & Court Admissions

- North Carolina
- Texas