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Bill McNairy primarily represents privately-held companies and the families that own them. His practice includes representation in connection with mergers, acquisitions, and dispositions of businesses (including public offerings, going private transactions, transactions with private equity firms, and other negotiated transactions). He counsels businesses through complex tax saving strategies and advises families on the transfer of control of family businesses to the next generation of owners in an income, gift and estate tax efficient manner.

In addition, Bill represents clients before the Internal Revenue Service, the Tax Court, the United States District Court, the United States Fourth Circuit of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court. Additionally, Bill has been a Certified Public Accountant in North Carolina since 1970.

**Honors & Awards**

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* for Tax Law and Trusts and Estates Law
- Recognized as a member of North Carolina's "Legal Elite" in Tax/Estate Planning Law, 2001, 2005-2007, 2009-2011 by *Business North Carolina* magazine
- Recognized in *North Carolina Super Lawyers* in Tax Law, 2007-2012

**Practice Areas**

Corporate

Tax

Trusts & Estates

**Education**

William and Mary, J.D., 1973

University of Virginia, M.B.A.,  
1967

University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill, B.S., 1965

### Professional & Community Activities

- Member, Tax Section, North Carolina Bar Association
- Member, Tax Section, American Bar Association

### Bar & Court Admissions

- North Carolina
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District, North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Middle District, North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Western District, North Carolina
- U.S. Tax Court
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims