

# Benjamin R. Norman

Partner



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## OFFICE

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Ben Norman is a litigator who represents clients in state and federal trial and appellate courts, including the North Carolina Business Court. Most of his work involves failed business relationships, typically involving claims of breach of contract, fraud and unfair or deceptive trade practices.

## MY PRACTICE

### NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS COURT

As a former law clerk in the North Carolina Business Court, Ben has represented clients in dozens of matters in the Business Court and been involved in numerous other matters for clients of the firm. Ben avidly follows the opinions of the Court and regularly appears in its courtrooms.

### COMPLEX BUSINESS LITIGATION

Ben has significant experience handling disputes involving complex legal and procedural issues, high stakes, high volumes of documents, case management issues, and often multiple venues. For example, Ben was involved in litigation related to a commercial development and interest rate swaps in Virginia that spawned lawsuits

## PRACTICE AREAS

### Litigation

- › Antitrust Litigation
- › Appellate
- › Class Action
- › Complex Business Litigation
- › Federal Litigation
- › North Carolina Business Court

## INDUSTRIES

Banking, Investment & Financial Services  
Construction & Development  
Insurance  
Manufacturing  
Real Estate

## EDUCATION

Wake Forest University School of Law  
J.D., 2004; Managing Editor, *Wake Forest Law Review*, 2003-04;  
James and Marie Mason Scholarship  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
B.A., 2000

## CLERKSHIP

Law Clerk to the Honorable Ben F. Tennille, Chief Special Superior Court Judge for Complex Business Cases, North Carolina Business Court, 2004-05

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

North Carolina  
US Supreme Court  
US Court of Appeals  
4th Circuit  
US District Court - North Carolina  
Western District  
Middle District  
Eastern District  
US Tax Court

in federal courts in Virginia, Texas and New York.

## FEDERAL LITIGATION

Ben has an active practice in the federal courts of North Carolina and has been involved in cases in federal courts throughout the east, southeast and south.

## APPELLATE LITIGATION

Ben is experienced in coordinating appeals from inception to completion in state and federal courts.

## CLOSELY HELD BUSINESS LITIGATION

Ben represents private companies, limited liability companies, limited partnerships and partnerships in disputes related to ownership, dissolution, rights and duties related to the management and operation of those businesses.

## TAX LITIGATION

Ben has provided representation of individuals and entities in tax controversies against both federal and state tax authorities.

## HONORS

Recognized by his peers for inclusion in *Business North Carolina's* "[Legal Elite](#)" in Litigation (2019)

Selected for *Benchmark Litigation's* "Under 40 Hot List" (2017, 2018)

Recognized in *North Carolina Super Lawyers* (Thomson Reuters) as a "Rising Star" in Business Litigation (2013-2018)

Recognized by BTI Consulting for exceptional client service as one of 354 Client Service All-Stars nationwide (2015)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Member, Litigation, Antitrust and Complex Business Dispute Sections, [North Carolina Bar Association](#)

Member, [Greensboro Bar Association](#)

President, Young Lawyers Section, [Greensboro Bar Association](#) (2011-2012)

Graduate, [Leadership Greensboro](#) (2014)

Board of Directors, GirlCHARGE, Inc. (2008-2011)

## PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA

"NC Business Court: Year in Review." CLE Co-presenter, February 2017

"NC Business Court: Year in Review." CLE Co-presenter, February 2016

"Business Court: What North Carolina Companies need to know." Business North Carolina, Co-author, May 2015

"The North Carolina Business Court: A General Overview and Practice Tips." CPE presenter, March 2015

"New Laws Concerning the North Carolina Business Court: What You Need to Know." NCPA Forum Magazine, Winter 2014-2015

"The Electronic Courtroom and Complex Litigation in the North Carolina Business Court: An Introduction." CLE Co-presenter, October 2007

"Changes at the North Carolina Business Court, Learn to Utilize this Resource." NCPA Forum Magazine, Summer 2006

"Changes at North Carolina Business Court, Brooks Pierce Lawyers are Active and Involved." Legal Topics Bulletin, March 2006

*"Effects of the Shift of the Burden of Proof in the Disposition of Tax Cases.* 38 Wake Forest L. Rev. 1357 (2003)

Twelve Brooks Pierce Attorneys to Present at the Festival of Legal Learning, January 12, 2017

Eighteen Brooks Pierce Attorneys to Speak at the 2016 Festival of Legal Learning, February 2, 2016

North Carolina Business Court: What North Carolina Companies Need to Know, May 26, 2015

Ben Norman Shares "A Gen X Attorney's Client Service Advice" with NC Lawyers Weekly, April 27, 2015

Ben Norman Recognized for Exceptional Client Service in National BTI Poll, February 24, 2015

Wes Camden and Ben Norman Become Partners in Brooks Pierce, March 22, 2013

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Participate in Public Service Day, April 4, 2008