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Since joining Brooks Pierce in 1966, Erwin Fuller has focused his practice in real property, estate planning and estate administration. With more than 50 years of legal experience, Erwin has an in-depth understanding of the legal landscape and how to best serve his clients' needs.

PRACTICE AREAS

Real Estate
Trusts and Estates

EDUCATION

Duke University School of Law
L.L.B., 1964, with honors; Order of
the Coif; Articles Editor, *Duke Law
Journal*, 1963-64
Pembroke College, Oxford University
1961, Rotary Foundation Fellow
University of North Carolina at Chapel
Hill
B.S., 1960, Phi Beta Kappa; Beta
Gamma Sigma

CLERKSHIP

Law Clerk for Judge J. Spencer Bell,
U.S. Court of Appeals, 4th Circuit,
1964-65

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

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

MY PRACTICE

REAL PROPERTY

Erwin has more than 50 years of experience in handling commercial and other business property acquisitions, as well as commercial loan closings for both borrowers and lenders. He also has handled a variety of other real estate matters, such as rezoning proceedings, right-of-way issues and the preparation of property purchase and sale documents.

For 15 years, Erwin handled all of the low-income housing loan closings for Community Investment Corporation of North Carolina (now Centrant Community Capital, Inc.), a subsidiary of the North Carolina Bankers Association. While this work has largely transitioned to Brooks Pierce partner Iain MacSween, Erwin is still involved and works with Iain as needed and requested.

Additionally, Erwin represents Guilford County Schools on a wide range of real property matters.

ESTATE PLANNING

Erwin works with individuals throughout the entire estate planning process and helps his clients transfer wealth in a tax-efficient manner.

ESTATE ADMINISTRATION

Erwin works with individuals and their families in the administration of estates and the complex legal issues that arise.

HONORS

Selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Trusts and Estates Law (2006-2019) and Real Estate Law (2019)

Inducted into the Herb Falk Society (pro bono), Greensboro Bar Association (2017-2018)

Recognized by the North Carolina Pro Bono Honor Society (2017-2018)

Citizen Lawyer Award recipient, North Carolina Bar Association (2011)

Recognized by his peers for inclusion in *Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite"* in Real Estate (2006)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Member, North Carolina Bar Association Board of Governors (2018-2019)

Member, [North Carolina State Bar Client Security Fund](#) Board of Trustees (2017-present)

Council Member (2015-present), Chair-Elect (2017-2018) and Chair (2018-2019), [North Carolina Bar Association Senior Lawyers Division](#)

Member, [North Carolina General Statutes Commission](#) (2001-05)

Councilor, [North Carolina State Bar](#) (1987-94)

Member and Past President (1998-99), [Greensboro Bar Association](#)

Member, [American Bar Association](#) and [North Carolina Bar Association](#)

Member (1994-2000) and Chairman (1998-2000), North Carolina State Bar Client Security Fund Board of Trustees

Member and Past President (1985-86), [Greensboro Kiwanis Club](#)

Trustee (1982-91) and Board Chairman (1990-1991), [Lees-McRae College](#), Banner Elk, N.C.

Member, Board of Trustees, [Well Spring Retirement Community, Inc.](#) (2001-09)

Trustee (2001-09) and Board Chairman (2004-09), Well Spring Foundation

Elder, Trustee, Clerk of Session, Church School Teacher, and member/chair of various church committees, [First Presbyterian Church](#), Greensboro, N.C.

Moderator, [Salem Presbytery](#), Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (1994-95)

Brooks Pierce Attorney Named Chair of NCBA Senior Lawyers Division, July 11, 2018

W. Erwin Fuller, Jr. Recognized for Pro Bono Work by the North Carolina Supreme Court, June 29, 2018

Brooks Pierce Partner Inducted into Herb Falk Society, May 18, 2018

Brooks Pierce Attorney Appointed to the North Carolina State Bar Client Security Fund Board, July 5, 2017

Brooks Pierce Attorney Named Chair Elect of NCBA Senior Lawyers Division, July 3, 2017

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized for Pro Bono Work by the North Carolina Supreme Court, June 7, 2017

Brooks Pierce Partner Elected to NCBA Senior Lawyers Division Council, June 30, 2015

Erwin Fuller Named Citizen Lawyer, June 27, 2011