



## Shana L. Fulton

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Shana Fulton represents businesses and individuals in criminal and civil litigation, under government investigation or in conducting internal investigations. As a defense attorney and former Assistant U.S. Attorney, she has experience litigating and investigating high-profile and complex matters at all levels of federal and state trial courts. She loves using her deep experience as a defense attorney and federal prosecutor on complex matters that feature a mix of criminal, civil and regulatory issues.

### WHITE-COLLAR DEFENSE & GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATIONS

Shana represents individuals and businesses facing white-collar criminal prosecution and government investigations. A former Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, she has extensive experience handling trials and hearings in federal courts.

Prior to arriving at Brooks Pierce, Shana served as the Deputy Chief for both the Felony Major Crimes Section and the General Crimes Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia. She also served as Senior Litigation Counsel for the Homicide Section. Many of her previous cases garnered national news coverage, including in *The Washington Post*. Her previous experience as a prosecutor gives her a unique understanding of the techniques and strategies employed by the government against clients, and helps her devise strategic responses to defend them.

### INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS

Shana conducts and advises on internal investigations for allegations of criminal misconduct, corporate malfeasance, ethics complaints and workplace issues for private businesses, local government entities and individuals. Her investigative work has included a wide array of issues, including healthcare, fraud, sexual harassment, discrimination, and educational issues.

Shana has years of experience in investigations from her years as a defense attorney at a prominent Washington, D.C. law firm and the numerous grand jury investigations she led as a federal prosecutor. Her experience as a defense attorney and former prosecutor gives her a unique understanding and approach to conducting investigations – whether internal or by the government – and advising clients as to how best to handle them.

## COMPLEX BUSINESS LITIGATION

Shana represents individuals and businesses in civil matters at the state and federal levels. She has experience with a wide variety of matters, including commercial disputes, professional liability claims, contract disputes, complex wrongful death, business defamation, False Claims Act claims and accounting fraud claims.

## EXPERIENCE

Wake Forest University

## SERVICES

White Collar Defense & Investigations

Compliance & Internal Investigations

Complex Business Litigation

Federal Litigation

Health Care

Education

Litigation

## CREDENTIALS

### Honors & Recognitions

Selected by her peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Commercial Litigation (2021-2022)

Member, North Carolina Pro Bono Honor Society (2019)

## Education

**Columbia University School of Law**, J.D., 2001, Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar; Articles Editor, *Columbia Human Rights Law Review*

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, B.A., 1998, with highest honors, with distinction in English and political science, Morehead-Cain Scholar, Order of the Golden Fleece

## Admissions

District of Columbia

North Carolina

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

U.S. District Court for the Western, Middle, and Eastern Districts of North Carolina

## PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC

Member, Fund Board, Morehead-Cain Scholarship Foundation

Member, Minorities in the Profession Committee, North Carolina Bar Association

Member, North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers

Member, Growing Environmental & Conservation Leaders of Color

Member, North Carolina Advisory Board, Environmental Defense Fund

Section Council, Antitrust and Complex Business Disputes Section, North Carolina Bar Association

Member, North Carolina Bar Association

Member, Wake County Bar Association

Member, Federal Bar Association

Member, Women's White Collar Defense Association

Member, Capital City Lawyers Association

Member, Criminal Justice Act Panel for the Eastern District of North Carolina

## ABOUT ME

The legal profession interests me because it is a profession that allows me to merge my intellectual curiosity and constant drive to problem-solve with my desire to help individuals and businesses who may be facing a personal challenge or corporate crisis. My natural environment is in front of a jury in a courtroom. What I have valued the most about my career is the opportunities I have had to meet and help individuals from all walks of life and learn to appreciate that diversity of life.

I am a military brat who has lived or traveled to numerous states, several countries and a few continents. My life journeys – personal and professional – have made me who I am. But, I love being in my home state of North Carolina spending time with my family.

## NEWSROOM

### News

72 Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2022 Guide  
*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.19.2021

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Get Wrongful Death Suit Against Wake Forest University Dismissed  
08.11.2021

Brooks Pierce Partner Joins Fund Board for the Morehead-Cain Scholarship Foundation  
02.08.2021

Brooks Pierce Announces Four New Partners  
09.22.2020

Shana Fulton Appointed to the North Carolina Bar Association Minorities in the Profession Committee  
09.10.2020

### Speaking Engagements

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Participate in North Carolina Bar Association CLE  
01.29.2021

Shana Fulton Presents at North Carolina Association of Independent Schools Conference  
01.20.2021

Brooks Pierce Partner Participates in “Diversity in Prosecution” Panel  
11.13.2020

Brooks Pierce Hosts Capital City Lawyer's Association Scholarship Reception  
04.09.2019

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Present Continuing Legal Education on Possible Ethical Pitfalls in Internal  
Investigations  
10.16.2018

### **Publications**

The Impact Of Society's Demands For Transparency On Internal Investigations And Their Investigators  
04.17.2019