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A trusted advisor, Marcus Trathen focuses his practice in the fields of communications law, utilities regulation, mass media, the Internet, intellectual property, and legislative representation.

### **MEDIA, COMMUNICATIONS, AND TECHNOLOGY**

Marcus counsels clients on a variety of issues, including telecommunications regulation, media and the First Amendment, Internet law and regulation, and broadcast licensing and regulation.

### **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Marcus advises businesses on complex matters related to intellectual property licensing.

### **UTILITIES REGULATION**

Marcus has extensive experience representing clients before the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

### **SERVICES**

Regulatory & Administrative

Government Relations & Public Policy

Intellectual Property

Media, Publishing & Communications

Privacy

Technology

Utilities & Telecom

Film & Television

## CREDENTIALS

### Honors & Recognitions

Selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*© in First Amendment Law (2008-2022) (Raleigh "Lawyer of the Year" 2021)

### Education

**University of North Carolina School of Law**, J.D., 1990, with honors; Senior Staff Member (1989-90) and Staff Member (1988-89), *North Carolina Journal of International Law and Commercial Regulation* **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, B.A., 1987, with highest honors and highest distinction; Phi Beta Kappa

### Admissions

North Carolina

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th and D.C. Circuits

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

## PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC

Member, Advisory Board for International and Area Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2001-05)

Chairman, Class of 1938 Endowment Committee, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1995-2004)

Member, Federal Communications Bar Association

Member, American Bar Association

Member, North Carolina Bar Association

## NEWSROOM

### News

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

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*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.20.2020

55 Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2020 Guide  
*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.15.2019

55 Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2019 Guide  
*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.15.2018

54 Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2018 Guide  
*The Best Lawyers in America*®, 08.15.2017

### Speaking Engagements

Brooks Pierce Attorneys Participate in 18th Annual Festival of Legal Learning  
01.31.2008

### Publications

Brooks Pierce Capital Dispatch: Updates from the NC General Assembly and Governor's Office,  
March 19, 2021  
03.19.2021

Brooks Pierce Capital Dispatch: Updates from the NC General Assembly and Governor's Office,  
March 12, 2021  
03.12.2021

North Carolina Legislative Update, March 5, 2021  
03.05.2021

North Carolina Legislative Update, February 26, 2021  
02.26.2021

North Carolina Legislative Update, February 19, 2021  
02.19.2021