

## Brooks Pierce Receives Top Ranking in 2017 Edition of Benchmark Litigation

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Brooks Pierce has been named a “Highly Recommended” law firm in North Carolina in the 2017 edition of *Benchmark Litigation*, the only publication to focus exclusively on litigation firms and attorneys. In addition to the firm-wide ranking, 11 Brooks Pierce attorneys were named as either a “Local Litigation Star” or a “Future Star.” Partner Jennifer Van Zant was also recognized as one of the nation’s “Top 250 Women in Litigation.”

“Brooks Pierce aims to grow and challenge itself through complex and potentially precedent-setting cases. As a leading firm in our region, we hold tremendous pride in our work with complex litigation,” said Reid Phillips, the firm’s managing partner. “Brooks Pierce is home to many of the state’s top litigators and we are absolutely thrilled to have our hard work and dedication recognized by *Benchmark Litigation*.”

The Brooks Pierce attorneys recognized as “Local Litigation Stars” were:

- Jimmy Adams for General Commercial
- Kearns Davis for White Collar Crime
- Dan McGinn for Labor and Employment
- John Ormand for Labor and Employment
- Gary Parsons for Environmental, Insurance, Product Liability and Securities
- Reid Phillips for Antitrust, General Commercial, Intellectual Property, Product Liability and Securities
- Jim Phillips for General Commercial and Intellectual Property
- Mark Prak for General Commercial, Intellectual Property, Professional Liability and Securities
- Jennifer Van Zant for Antitrust
- Jim Williams for Antitrust, General Commercial and Securities

Attorneys Bob King and Van Zant were also recognized as “Future Stars.”

Benchmark Litigation serves as the definitive guide to America’s leading litigation firms and attorneys. Rankings are based on a six-month period where Benchmark researchers conduct extensive interviews with litigators and their clients to identify the leaders in litigation. More information on the guide’s methodology can be found at <https://www.benchmarklitigation.com/>

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