

Nineteen Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized in Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” and “Hall of Fame”

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Thirteen Brooks Pierce attorneys have been recognized by their peers for inclusion in the 2017 edition of *Business North Carolina’s* “Legal Elite,” a listing of the state’s top lawyers in business-related practice areas. In addition, six Brooks Pierce attorneys are members of the publication’s “Legal Elite” Hall of Fame.

Each year, *Business North Carolina* sends ballots to members of the North Carolina Bar Association who live in North Carolina. Voters are asked one question: “Of the Tar Heel lawyers whose work you have observed firsthand, whom would you rate among the current best in these categories?” Voters are not allowed to vote for themselves, and may only select members of their own firms if they also select out-of-firm lawyers in the same categories, with the out-of-firm votes weighted more heavily. Attorneys receiving the most votes in their respective categories become permanent members of the “Legal Elite” Hall of Fame. For more information about the “Legal Elite” methodology, visit www.businessnc.com/LegalElite.

The Brooks Pierce attorneys named to *Business North Carolina’s* 2017 “Legal Elite” are:

- Arty Bolick for Construction
- John Cross for Business
- Eric David for Litigation
- Kearns Davis for Criminal
- Darrell Fruth for Intellectual Property
- Jeff Oleynik for Bankruptcy
- David Sar for Intellectual Property
- John Small for Bankruptcy
- Adam Tarleton for Tax and Estate Planning
- Walt Tippett for Construction
- Thomas Varnum for Intellectual Property

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- Ed West for Criminal

The Brooks Pierce attorneys recognized as members of the "Legal Elite" Hall of Fame are:

- Charles Baldwin for Business
- Mark Davidson for Business
- George House for Environmental
- Gary Parsons for Litigation
- Jennifer Van Zant for Antitrust
- Jim Williams for Litigation

PEOPLE

Charles S. Baldwin IV

H. Arthur Bolick II

John Cross Jr.

Eric M. David

Mark Davidson

Kearns Davis

George W. House

Jeffrey E. Oleynik

Gary S. Parsons

David W. Sar

John H. Small

Adam P.M. Tarleton

Walter L. Tippet, Jr.

Jennifer K. Van Zant

Thomas G. Varnum

Edwin L. West III