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SMITH ANDERSON SHINES IN 2021 CHAMBERS USA WITH MOST BAND 1 PRACTICE RANKINGS OF ANY NC-BASED LAW FIRM

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Chambers USA

Chambers USA, one of the world's leading research, analytics and rankings agencies for the legal profession, has listed 29 Smith Anderson lawyers as being among the top practitioners in North Carolina. Additionally, six out of the 11 ranked practice areas are Band 1 rated, the most of any other North Carolina-based firm.

Smith Anderson continues to have more lawyers recognized in the Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions category than any other North Carolina-based law firm and has maintained its ranking as the sole Band 1 rated firm in the Raleigh, Greensboro and Surrounds region.

We are also pleased to share that we were awarded a Band 1 rating in the first year that our Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation practice was researched by Chambers. Our Health Care practice entered the rankings as well and our Construction practice moved up to Band 1. Practices and lawyers included in the guide receive a ranking from Band 1 (highest) to Band 6 (lowest).

Chambers USA honored Smith Anderson with recognition in the following practice categories: Banking & Finance, Construction, Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions, Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation, Environment, Health Care, Intellectual Property, Labor & Employment, Litigation: General Commercial, Real Estate and Tax. In addition to these practice categories, individual lawyers were also recognized in Real Estate: Land Use and Zoning and Real Estate: Finance.

Chambers USA provides law firm practice and lawyer rankings based on independent research and conversations with clients, peers and members of the business community. Included below are some of the reviews our firm was fortunate to receive:

- *"They are incredible. You get the quality of a big city London or New York type of lawyer at local North Carolina rates and with a lot of accessibility."*
- *"Top-notch attorneys who are dedicated to not only protecting clients against risk, but helping clients further their business."*
- *"I feel like I have the A-team representing our interests. The lawyers are transparent and candid."*
- *"They are always asking what they can do better and what they can do for us. You always know that the team will come through for us; they get it."*

- *"They are the best in the market."*

The following is a list of all 29 Smith Anderson lawyers who are honored as leading attorneys in the 2021 *Chambers USA* guide:

Banking & Finance

- [Lee Kirby](#)
- [Bart Norman](#)

Construction

- [Wayne Maiorano](#)
- [Pete Marino](#)

Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions

- [Christopher Capel](#)
- [Robert Duggins](#)
- [Timothy Goettel](#)
- [John Jernigan](#)
- [Byron Kirkland](#)
- [Gerald Roach](#)

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

- [Caryn Coppedge McNeill](#)
- [Kara Brunk](#)

Environment

- [David Berry](#)
- [Steve Parascandola](#)

Intellectual Property

- [R. Joey Morris](#)
- [John Therien](#)

Labor & Employment

- [Zebulon D. Anderson](#)
- [Rosemary Kenyon](#)



- [Kimberly Korando](#)
- [Kerry Shad](#)

Litigation: General Commercial

- [Michael Mitchell](#)
- [Carl Patterson, Jr.](#)
- [Christopher Smith](#)
- [Donald Tucker, Jr.](#)

Real Estate

- [C. Steven Mason](#)
- [Mike Thornton](#)
- [Allen York](#)

Real Estate: Finance

- [C. Steven Mason](#)

Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

- [Lacy Reaves](#)

Tax

- [William W. Nelson](#)

CLICK HERE to learn more about recent recognition our firm and individual lawyers have received from clients, peers and the business community.

Chambers USA ranks the leading lawyers and law firms across the USA. Legal rankings are based on in-depth market analysis and independent research, conducted by experienced researchers. Chambers and Partners rankings and research provides necessary information, statistics and firm overviews when needed to make an informed decision when purchasing legal services. For more information, please visit Chambers' [methodology page](#).

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PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate Advocacy

Asbestos and Toxic Torts



Banking & Finance

Commercial Contracts

Commercial Litigation

Commercial Real Estate

Construction & Infrastructure

Corporate & Transactional

Corporate and Securities Litigation

Corporate and Syndicated Finance

Corporate Governance

Data Privacy

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

Employment Litigation

Employment, Labor and Human Resources

Environmental

Financial Institutions

Health Care

Insurance Recovery

Intellectual Property

IP Litigation

Mass Tort & Catastrophic Loss

Medical Malpractice Defense

Mergers and Acquisitions

Mezzanine Finance

Pharmaceutical & Medical Device Litigation

Product Liability

Public Companies

Real Estate Development

Real Estate Litigation



Tax

Venture Capital

INDUSTRIES

Private Equity

Software, Data + Analytics

