

Practice Areas:

Trust and Estate Planning

Estate Administration

Fiduciary Litigation and
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Christian focuses on building long-term relationships with clients through his advocacy, responsiveness and candor. Christian is a North Carolina Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law. He has received a rating of AV Preeminent from Martindale-Hubbell through Christian's fellow lawyers ranking him at the highest level of professional excellence.

Estate Planning, Probate & Estate Administration

Christian has substantial experience advising individuals, families and institutions on estate planning, business succession planning, asset protection, tax, and estate administration and probate law issues. Christian's experience in litigating trust and estate disputes adds value to this practice area by helping him anticipate potentially ambiguous language or situations that can arise when clients are planning their estate, establishing trusts, or going through the post-mortem probate administration process. Christian was selected by his fellow North Carolina attorneys as one of Business North Carolina Magazine's "Legal Elite" in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

Estate and Trust Litigation

Christian represents beneficiaries and fiduciaries in trust and estate related disputes, including breach of fiduciary duty claims, matters of will and trust construction, will caveats, actions for removal of trustees and executors, actions for trust modification and termination, and actions involving power of attorney abuse. Christian was chosen for the 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 Super Lawyers' Rising Stars List in the field of Estate and Trust Litigation. Christian is also certified to mediate matters before the Clerk of Court and Superior Court.

Corporate Counsel

Christian serves as counsel to entrepreneurs and companies in a broad spectrum of matters relating to the on-going operation of their businesses, including negotiating and closing commercial real estate transactions and advising on legal issues relating to the operations, governance, taxation and ownership of a business.

Service, Publications & Licensure

Christian is a member of the Fiduciary Litigation Committee of the North Carolina Bar Association's Section on Estate Planning & Fiduciary Law. He is the former Chair of the Estate Planning & Probate Section of the Mecklenburg County Bar Association. Christian has authored several articles for *Probate & Property*, a legal magazine published by the American Bar Association. Christian is licensed to practice law in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.