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OVERVIEW

Michael is an associate in the firm's Business Litigation practice. He focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation, and has experience handling matters in arbitration (AAA/JAMS), federal district court, and state court.

In addition to representing corporate clients, Michael also has an active pro bono practice, where he represents former service members who are seeking discharge upgrades before the Army Board for Correction of Military Records, and benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

During law school, Michael served as a summer clerk for the Honorable Mark Martin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

Prior to practicing law, Michael worked on Capitol Hill for the House Budget Committee, where he assisted more than 20 members of Congress prepare for committee hearings and helped legal counsel enforce procedural rules.

AWARDS

Davis Society Inductee, UNC School of Law (2020)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

• Business Litigation

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Enforcement Actions + Investigations
- Financial Services Litigation
- <u>Litigation + Trial</u>

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Chairman, Mecklenburg County Board of Elections
- Community Service Committee, Mecklenburg County Bar Young Lawyer's Division
- Certified volunteer, UNC Military Veterans Legal Clinic

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Judicial intern, Hon. Chief Justice Mark Martin, Supreme Court of North Carolina, 2018
- Judicial intern, Hon. Frank Whitney, Western District of North Carolina (W.D.N.C.), 2020

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- University of North Carolina School of Law, J.D., with honors, 2020, 3L class president; managing editor, First Amendment Law Review; International Law Moot Court Team
- Wake Forest University, B.A., magna cum laude, 2016, politics and international affairs

BAR ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina
- South Carolina

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Middle District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Western District of North Carolina

PUBLICATIONS

 Closing the "Political Action Committee Loophole: The Constitutionality of Prohibitions on PAC-to-PAC Donations," 18 FIRST AMENDMENT L. REV. 186 (Fall 2019).