

# Mark Davidson

Partner



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Mark plans, negotiates and documents a wide variety of business transactions, including organization governance, debt financing, executive compensation, partnership and corporate taxation, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, private equity, securities, and management/ownership succession.

#### PRACTICE AREAS

Business and Corporate  
› Entity Formation  
› Franchise  
› Mergers & Acquisitions  
› Securities  
› Tax  
Trusts and Estates

#### INDUSTRIES

Accounting & Professional Services  
Agribusiness  
Health Care  
Insurance  
Manufacturing  
Not-for-Profits  
Real Estate  
Retail  
Technology  
Trade Organizations

#### EDUCATION

University of Virginia School of Law  
J.D., 1983, Order of the Coif; Executive  
Editor, *Virginia Tax Review*,  
1982-83

University of North Carolina at Chapel  
Hill  
B.A., 1980, Phi Beta Kappa; Phi Eta  
Sigma

#### BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

North Carolina  
Texas

## MY PRACTICE

### BUSINESS LAW

Mark focuses his practice on the planning, negotiation and documentation of a wide variety of transactions in the life of a business, including organization, governance, private equity, securities, debt financing, executive compensation, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and management/ownership succession.

### TAXATION

Mark has a wealth of experience assisting businesses with complex tax issues. He has particularly deep knowledge of partnership and corporate taxation, including structuring entities and transactions.

### ESTATE PLANNING

Mark helps clients with a wide range of estate planning needs. He provides counsel on using trusts, family limited partnerships and other vehicles. He also has extensive experience aiding clients in navigating succession in family-owned businesses.

## HONORS

Recognized by [\*Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business\*](#) for Corporate Law/Mergers & Acquisitions (2008-2018)

Recognized by his peers for inclusion in *Business North Carolina's* "[Legal Elite](#)" Hall of Fame for Business Law (2010-present)

Recognized in [\*North Carolina Super Lawyers\*](#) (Thomson Reuters) in Business/Corporate Law (2011-2018)

Recognized in [\*Super Lawyers Business Edition\*](#) in Business/Corporate Law (2015)

Selected by his peers for inclusion in [\*The Best Lawyers in America\*](#) in Corporate Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Law (Greensboro Lawyer of the Year 2016 and 2018), Securities/Capital Markets Law, and Tax Law (2007-2018)

Recipient of Distinguished Service Award, North Carolina Bar Association Business Law Section

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Secretary, Board of Directors, [Greensboro Country Club](#) (2016-present)

Member, Board of Directors, [Greensboro Country Club](#) (2015-present)

Founding Chair of the Business Law Practice Community, [Law Firm Alliance](#) (2012-2014)

President, [Preservation Greensboro](#), Inc. (2008-2010)

Treasurer, [Law Firm Alliance](#) (2012-2014)

Member, LLC Act Task Force, [North Carolina Bar Association](#) (2008-2014)

Chair (2005-2007), Vice Chair (2003-2005), Business Law Section Council, [North Carolina Bar Association](#)

Chairman, Business Organizations Committee, [North Carolina Bar Association](#) (1999-2001)

Chairman, Cross-Entity Mergers and Conversions Legislative Drafting Committee, [North Carolina Bar Association](#) (1998-1999)

Member, Tax Law Section Council, [North Carolina Bar Association](#) (1999-2002)

Member, Board of Directors, Piedmont Triad Partnership (2007-2009)

Member, Board of Directors, Piedmont Triad Entrepreneurial Network (2006-2008)

President, [Nat Greene Kiwanis](#) (1996)

President, [Triad Youth Lacrosse Association](#) (2007-2009)

Parade Chairman, [Fun Fourth Festival](#) (2000-2010)

Chair, Community Enrichment Venture Grant Committee, [United Way of Greater Greensboro](#) (1995)

Graduate, [Leadership Greensboro](#) (1995)

Brooks Pierce Attorneys, Practice Areas Earn Top Rankings from Chambers USA, May 26, 2017

Proposed IRS Valuation Rules Could Have Major Impact on Family Wealth Transfers, September 15, 2016

Charles Baldwin and Mark Davidson Presented at GGI's 2016 European Regional Conference, April 27, 2016

The Best of Intentions: Letters of Intent in the Sale of a Business, January 20, 2016

Mark Davidson summarizes important changes to the new North Carolina Limited Liability Company Act, January 1, 2014

North Carolina has rewritten its Limited Liability Company Act. New Chapter 57D replaced old Chapter 57C effective January 1, 2014 . A summary of the more important changes is provided below. For more information or assistance in organizing your...[Read more](#)

Mark Davidson Receives Distinguished Service Award, March 7, 2012

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Brooks Pierce International Law and Tax Partners to Speak at Export University 101 Event, March 5, 2015

Brooks Pierce Partner Mark Davidson Presents at 75th Annual Symposium for North Carolina Association of CPAs, November 17, 2014

Davidson to Present at 2009 Business Law Institute, December 12, 2008