

Brooks Pierce Lawyers Receive North Carolina Lawyers Weekly Rising Star Award

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Brooks Pierce attorneys Elizabeth Troutman and Will Quick have been named “Rising Stars” by *North Carolina Lawyers Weekly*. Troutman and Quick were two of 28 attorneys to receive the recognition in its inaugural year.

North Carolina Lawyers Weekly’s Rising Star award recognizes lawyers who graduated from law school within the last ten years and have already made an outstanding impact within their firm and the broader legal community.

“Elizabeth and Will both exemplify the hard work and dedication that we encourage in all of our attorneys,” said Reid Phillips. “For them to receive this award is a testament to their commitment to our clients and their local communities.”

Troutman advises public school boards of education, private educational institutions, colleges and universities on a wide range of education issues, and litigates on behalf of educational institutions in state and federal courts. She also assists a variety of clients in navigating the complexities of human resources and employment law issues, including employment policies and employee separation. She is an active member of the executive committee for the North Carolina Council of School Attorneys and the North Carolina School Boards Association.

Troutman, who is blind, serves on the board of the Industries of the Blind and works with other blind attorneys to raise awareness of barriers in the practice. In 2018, she was recognized by the *Triad Business Journal* as one of its “40 Leaders Under 40” and was most recently named a “Rising Star” in Schools and Education Law by North Carolina Super Lawyers.

Quick represents businesses and local governments in trial and appellate matters and before state agencies in North Carolina and South Carolina. He also assists businesses in proactively designing and implementing data privacy policies and procedures in a rapidly changing regulatory landscape and advises clients facing data compromise and other security events.

He is actively involved in the North Carolina Bar Association (NCBA) Young Lawyers Division, most recently serving as administrative division director. He is a member of the North Carolina Pro Bono Resource Center advisory board and the North Carolina State University Alumni Association board of directors. Last year, Quick was recognized as one of the

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Triangle Business Journal's "40 Leaders Under 40" and named a "Rising Star" in appellate law by *North Carolina Super Lawyers*. In 2017, he received the NCBA's Charles F. Blanchard Young Lawyer of the Year award, presented annually to one young attorney to recognize their notable and commendable service.