

## Brooks Pierce Attorneys Recognized for 2013 Pro Bono Service

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Brooks Pierce recently recognized the firm's attorneys who made significant contributions to pro bono matters in 2013.

Bill Cary, a partner in the Greensboro office, received Brooks Pierce's 2013 Pro Bono Award for his work with the [America's Longleaf Restoration Initiative](#) (ALRI), a multistate environmental conservation effort. In addition, 14 other attorneys were honored for providing 50 hours or more of pro bono service during the year.

"Pro bono service is a big part of who we are at Brooks Pierce. I am pleased that so many of our attorneys are dedicated to giving back to their communities," said Ed Winslow, the firm's managing partner. "We look forward to continuing our partnerships with many regional, statewide and national nonprofits."

ALRI is a collaborative effort of multiple public and private sector partners that actively supports the restoration and conservation of longleaf pine ecosystems, which provide critical habitat to at least 122 endangered or threatened plant and animal species. Cary volunteered his services to identify critical legal issues regarding the protection of longleaf pine ecosystems. His work included supervising law student research in this area, meeting with stakeholders and drafting guidance. Through the work of the initiative, the long-term decline of these forests has been reversed and the acreage of longleaf forests is increasing for the first time in decades.

The attorneys recognized for at least 50 hours of pro bono service in 2013 were:

Rebecca Cage

John Cross

Kearns Davis

Mike Dowling

Erwin Fuller

Wade Hargrove

Dan McGinn

Will Quick

Bo Rodenbough

Bill Ross

Bob Saunders

Craig Schauer

Adam Tarleton

Kyle Woosley