

Brooks Pierce International Law and Tax Partners to Speak at Export University 101 Event

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Brooks Pierce international law partner Charles S. Baldwin IV and tax partner Mark Davidson have been selected to speak at Export University 101, presented by the U.S. Commercial Service in Greensboro and the North Carolina District Export Council, in partnership with UPS and the North Carolina Entrepreneurship Center. The event is being held March 12 at the Elliott University Center on the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's campus.

Baldwin, a seasoned international business attorney, will present on a variety of topics, including international agreements, legal considerations in exporting, intellectual property protection, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and export licensing and regulations. Davidson, an experienced tax and corporate attorney, will present on tax issues important to new-to-exporting businesses.

Export University Inc. is a nonprofit organization formed to provide high quality, affordable export education and training to American companies. Export University courses are designed to help companies make informed decisions about exporting and to grow their international sales. To date, these courses have been presented in 22 states with more than 4,000 executives receiving certification. Export University works closely with the U.S. Commercial Service, part of the U.S. Department of Commerce, to mentor, train and educate executives on export education.

A partner in the firm's Wilmington office, Baldwin focuses his practice on international transactions, international law, venture capital and transactional matters. He has diverse experience in international and transportation law and has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite as one of the state's leading business attorneys. Baldwin represents corporations on a variety of cross-border issues, including imports, exports, transportation claims and Federal Maritime Commission matters. He is a frequent speaker on topics related to business law and international trade.

A partner in the firm's Greensboro office, Davidson plans, negotiates and documents a wide variety of transactions in the life of a business, including organization, equity and debt financing, executive compensation, taxation, acquisitions, dispositions, and management/ownership succession. Davidson has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite as one of the state's leading business attorneys.