



ATTORNEYS AT LAW



JOSEPH W. GRIER, III

Education

- University of North Carolina (B.A., 1973; J.D., 1977)

Concentration

- Bankruptcy/ workouts for troubled businesses and individuals associated with those businesses
- Fiduciary for troubled businesses
- Bankruptcy Mediation

Certifications

- Board Certified Specialist in Business Bankruptcy Law (NC State Bar)
- Business Bankruptcy (American Board of Certification)
- Bankruptcy Mediation Training (American Bankruptcy Institute and St. John's U. School of Law)

Representative Fiduciary Matters

- Future Claims Representative, *In re Garlock Sealing Technologies, LLC*, 10-31607, (Bankr. W.D.N.C.)
- Receiver, *CFTC v. James Harvey Mason, et al*, 3:13-cv-196 (W.D.N.C.)
- Receiver, *CFTC v. Barki et al.*, 3:09-cv-106 (W.D.N.C.)
- Receiver, *State of North Carolina ex rel. Roy Cooper, Attorney General vs. Peerless Real Estate Services, Inc.* et al., 07-cvs-9006 (Wake County, NC, Superior Court)

Community Activities

- Elder, Myers Park Presbyterian Church
- President, Mecklenburg County Council, Boy Scouts of America
- Board of Managers, Dowd YMCA (Charlotte)
- Board of Visitors, UNC Lineberger Cancer Center
- Board of Visitors, Queens University

Recognition

- Best Lawyers in America (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law) (since 2008) (bestlawyers.com)
- North Carolina Legal Elite (Bankruptcy) by Business North Carolina (businessnc.com)
- Super Lawyers (A registered trademark of Thomson Reuters) (Bankruptcy) (since 2009) (superlawyers.com)

Admissions

- North Carolina State Bar (1977)
- U.S. District Court for the Western District and Middle District of North Carolina
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

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MICHAEL L. MARTINEZ

Education

- University of Florida (B.A. in Political Science and English with a Concentration in Film and Media Studies, Cum Laude 2006)
- University of North Carolina (J.D., 2009); Staff Member, North Carolina Law Review (2007-2008); Symposium Editor, North Carolina Law Review (2008-2009)

Areas of Practice

- Bankruptcy, Debtor/ Creditor and Business Workouts
- Corporate & Business Law

Memberships

- Mecklenburg County Bar Association; North Carolina Bar Association (Member, Bankruptcy Law Section); American Bar Association (Member, Business Law Section); American Bankruptcy Institute

Representative Cases

- *Grier v. Gallagher*, 2014 WL 4682083 (W.D.N.C. Sep. 19, 2014); *BCBSNC v. Jemsek Clinic, P.A.*, 506 B.R. 694 (W.D.N.C. Mar. 11, 2014); *In re Nolan*, 2013 WL 3153849 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. June 19, 2013); *Mauney v. Cricket/Bojangles Coliseum*, 2012 WL 5985497 (W.D.N.C. Oct 3, 2012); *Bowers v. Hemphill (In re Nolan)*, 2012 WL 4738841 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Oct 3, 2012); *In re Nolan*, 2012 WL 2564894 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Jul 2, 2012).

Community Involvement

- Western North Carolina Bankruptcy Seminar Planning Committee (2012–2015)
- Mecklenburg County Bar Communications Committee (2012–2015)
- Lawyer on the Line Program Volunteer (2012–2015)
- Mecklenburg County Bar Linking Lawyers Mentorship Program Volunteer (2015)
- Mecklenburg County Bar Lunch with a Lawyer Mentorship Program Volunteer (2010–2011)
- N.C. Bar Association YLD Wills for Heroes Program Volunteer (2010–2011)
- Stowe Creek Homeowners Association Adjudicatory Committee (2010–2011, 2015–Present)

Honors and Awards

- 2015 Next Generation Program, National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges
- Mecklenburg County Bar, Bar Leadership Institute, Graduate Class of 2014
- 2013 Legal Services of Southern Piedmont Outstanding Pro Bono Service Award

Admissions

- North Carolina State Bar (2009)
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW

ANNA S. GORMAN

Education

- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (B.S., 1989)
- Campbell University School of Law (J.D., 1994)

Memberships

- Mecklenburg County Bar Association
- North Carolina Bar Association
- North Carolina State Bar
- American Bankruptcy Institute

Representative Cases

- *Educational Credit Management Corp. v. Waterhouse*, 333 B.R. 102 (W.D.N.C. 2005)
- *Educational Credit Management Corp. v. Gouge*, 320 B.R. 582 (W.D.N.C. 2005)
- *In re: Pritzel*, 287 B.R. 152 (E.D.N.C. 2002)
- *G.E. Capital Mortg. Services, Inc. v. Neely*, 135 N.C. App. 187, 519 S.E.2d 553 (1999)

Concentration

- Bankruptcy/ workouts for troubled businesses and individuals associated with those businesses
- Represent State and Federally appointed Receivers and Trustees
- Defend parties in bankruptcy litigation including preferential transfer and fraudulent transfer actions

Recognition

- Martindale-Hubble, AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated

Admissions

- North Carolina State Bar (1994)
- U.S. District Courts for the Western District, Middle and Eastern Districts of North Carolina

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A. COTTEN WRIGHT

Admissions

- North Carolina State Bar (2001)
- U.S. District Courts for the Western District, Middle and Eastern Districts of North Carolina
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Education

- Jacksonville University (B.A., magna cum laude, 1973)
- University of North Carolina (J.D., 2001); North Carolina Journal of International Law & Commercial Regulation

Areas of Practice

- Bankruptcy, Debtor/ Creditor and Business Workouts
- Bankruptcy, Trustee, Chapters 7 and 11
- Mediation

Certification / Specialization

- Board Certified Specialist in Business Bankruptcy Law by the North Carolina State Bar
- Certified as a Business Bankruptcy Specialist by the American Board of Certification
- Certified by the North Carolina Dispute Resolution Commission to conduct mediated settlement conferences in Superior Court civil actions

Honors and Awards

- Martindale-Hubbell, AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- Named to North Carolina Super Lawyers (Bankruptcy & Creditor / Debtor Rights), 2012- 2014

Memberships

- Mecklenburg County Bar Association
- North Carolina Bar Association
- North Carolina State Bar
- American Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees

Representative Cases

- *In re Jenkins*, 507 B.R. 856 (W.D.N.C. 2014), *rev'd by In re Jenkins*, 784 F.3d 230 (4th Cir. 2015); *In re Jenkins*, 2012 WL 6186347 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Dec. 12, 2012); *In re Hickory Printing Group, Inc.*, 469 B.R. 623 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. 2012); *In re Pacific Ave., LLC*, 2010 WL 3911345 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Dec. 1, 2010); *Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina v. Jemsek Clinic, P.A., et al. (In re Jemsek)*, 441 B.R. 756 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. 2010); *In re Kuebler*, 2010 WL 2540298 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Jun. 21, 2010); *In re Omar*, 2008 WL 822492 (W.D.N.C. 2008); *Rouse v. Ward*, 2008 WL 5054242 (Bankr. M.D.N.C. 2008); *In re Stafford*, 357 B.R. 730 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. 2006)

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