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A detail-oriented litigator, Amie handles both general and complex civil cases.

They include business litigation, corporate disputes, insurance defense, insurance coverage and bad faith, employment matters and appellate advocacy and has worked with insurance companies, developers, architects, medical practices, commercial property owners, small business owners and individuals.



Amie has extensive trial experience and has effectively and successfully advocated for business owners, employers, employees, homeowners, general and subcontractors and others. She has considerable experience practicing before North Carolina's appellate courts and successfully raised a constitutional challenge to North Carolina's process of electing superior court judges.

Experience Highlights:

Successfully defended general contractor in arbitration against a claim by a driver that a construction area was negligently maintained.

Represented contractor in a case involving negligence, wrongful death and a Woodson claim against it due to an accident to a temporary employee at a construction site. The trial court granted contractor's motion to dismiss when it determined that the Industrial Commission had exclusive jurisdiction of the claims. The Court of Appeals affirmed.

Represented a construction manager against the owner of a major retail shopping center in a one-week jury trial for past due compensation. The trial resulted in a verdict for the construction manager plus an award of attorneys' fees. The Court of Appeals affirmed.

Represented a general contractor and its president against the owner in a one-week jury trial for past due compensation and against counterclaims. The trial resulted in a verdict for the general contractor. Further, the trial judge granted a judgment notwithstanding the verdict as to the jury's finding of negligence against the president and the Court of Appeals affirmed.

Represented national A-rated insurer in seven-year litigation in the North Carolina Business Court in an accounting malpractice action involving several complex issues including a choice of law issue which went to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. The case ended after a four week trial.

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Practice Areas

- Appellate
- Business Litigation
- Complex Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Insurance/Bad Faith
- Insurance Litigation
- Labor & Employment
- Professional Liability
- Trucking & Transportation

Education

- Wake Forest University, B.A., 1998, cum laude, Denmark's International Study Abroad Program, 1997
- UNC at Chapel Hill School of Law, J.D. 2005, high honors; elected to the Order of the Coif; Gressman-Pollitt award for Journal of International Law & Commercial Regulation, Senior Staff; Pro Bono Board

Admissions

- North Carolina, 2005
- NC State & Federal Courts
- US Court of Appeals for Fourth Circuit

Professional Affiliations

- North Carolina Bar Association, Appellate Council, Local Bar Outreach Committee
- Wake County Bar Association
- Tenth Judicial District Bar
- Claims & Litigation Management Alliance
- Defense Research Institute
- NC Association of Defense Attorneys
- NC Association of Women Attorneys
- Wake Women Attorneys

Civic Affiliations

- SAFEchild, Board of Directors, Secretary, Fund Development Committee
- Code f.a.d. Co., previous Board of Directors

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Experience Highlights

Successfully raised constitutional challenge regarding a North Carolina district's election of superior court judges.

Represented and defended homeowners in a one-week jury trial in dispute with neighbors for trespass and nuisance which created a situation where homeowners could not sell their house. The trial resulted in a reward of monetary damages and specific performance verdict for the homeowners.

Represented and defended concrete subcontractor in one-week bench trial against general contractor for unpaid services for two multi-residential developments. The trial resulted in a verdict for subcontractor.

Represented an employee against a past-employer in a one-week jury trial for past-due compensation. The trial resulted in a win for the employee plus attorneys' fees.

Defended employer in matter regarding whether employer was responsible for damages by employee who caused a fire. The issue went to the Court of Appeals.

Defended employer in matter against employees claiming additional compensation of profit distributions and bonuses and sued employer for fraud, negligent misrepresentation and breach of contract. The Court of Appeals agreed that all claims be dismissed against employer except for one aspect of one employee's breach of contract claim.

Presentations & Publications

Author, "Corporate Officers Under Fire," published in *CLM Construction Claims* magazine, 2016.

Co-authored white paper, "Professional Malpractice and Economic Loss: Why Choice of Law Really Does Matter" which was presented at the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Commercial Litigation Section 2011 Annual Meeting.

Honors & Awards

Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent® rating
Super Lawyers® Rising Star list, 2011, 2013-16



Gressman-Pollitt award for Excellence in Oral
Advocacy