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William W. (Bill) Pollock



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**A trial lawyer, Bill's practice of over thirty years is concentrated in construction law, product liability, environmental, trucking, and other complex business litigation.** His clients include general contractors, subcontractors, product manufacturers, trucking companies, business owners, and insurance and surety companies. Having tried more than 50 cases before a jury, Bill has achieved significant results for his clients including a precedent setting case from the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals. His reputation of always being a fair and respectful advocate and a keen litigation strategist is evidence by consistently earning top lawyer ratings by his clients and peers.

#### Experience Highlights

Lead counsel for a builder obtaining complete defense verdict on statue of repose, affirmed by the NC Supreme Court.

Obtained a \$4.5 million award for highway contractor in trial against State Department of Transportation on bridge project contract claim for project time and cost overruns and a \$6.5 million award for project design and delay claims on a highway project.

Obtained substantial verdicts in jury trials and arbitrations for general contractors against developers and owners for unpaid contract monies, including projects for construction of shopping centers, office complexes and commercial buildings.

Lead defense counsel in a six week environmental trial in which 75 plaintiffs sought \$225 million for injuries arising from contaminated water from a private water system. The trial resulted in a complete defense verdict.

North Carolina counsel for all products liability and warranty litigation for several leading nationwide construction products manufacturers.

Established new precedent in North Carolina by obtaining favorable ruling from the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals holding that no implied warranty claims could be brought against manufacturer of component parts incorporated into construction project.

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#### Practice Areas

Appellate  
Business Litigation  
Construction Litigation  
Environmental Litigation  
Insurance Litigation  
Product Liability  
Professional Liability  
Trucking & Transportation

#### Education

Wake Forest University B.A. 1984  
University of South Carolina J.D. 1987, Articles  
Editor, SC Law Review; Order of the Coif;  
Moot Court Bar; Order of the Wig and Robe

#### Admissions

North Carolina 1992  
Pennsylvania 1987  
District of Columbia 1988  
United States Court of Appeals for the Third,  
Fourth and District of Columbia Circuits  
US District Courts for NC Eastern, Middle,  
Western and District of Columbia  
United States Court of Federal Claims  
Supreme Court of the United States

#### Professional Affiliations

Trial Attorneys of America, member  
by-recommendation-only  
Claims & Litigation Management Alliance,  
member by-invitation-only, Construction  
and Environmental Law Committees  
North Carolina Legal Education Assistance  
Foundation, Board of Directors and Treasurer  
North Carolina Bar Association, Litigation  
and Construction Law Sections  
North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys,  
Past Board of Directors, Practice Group Chair  
and Membership Chair  
Defense Research Institute, Steering Committee,  
Construction Law  
National Association of Home Builders,  
Construction Law Forum

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Obtained defense verdict for trucking company for multiple claims arising out of 18 vehicle interstate highway collision.

Obtained defense verdict in wrongful death suit against highway contractor for death occurring in a construction zone on an interstate highway.

Established new precedent in North Carolina by obtaining dismissal of all extra-contractual claims against a surety company on performance bonds.

Obtained defense verdict for trucking company for multiple claims arising out of 18 vehicle interstate highway collision.

Obtained defense verdict in wrongful death suit against highway contractor for death occurring in a construction zone on an interstate highway.

National coordinating counsel for over 300 construction defect suits arising out of the manufacturing and sale synthetic stucco (EIFS).

#### Publications & Presentations

Mr. Pollock is the Chair of the Construction Law Guide and an editor of the Claims Handling Guide, both published by the CLM. These publications are the first comprehensive nationwide guides for the insurance industry.

Bill is the author of *Construction Law Client Strategies: Efficiently Assessing and Addressing Risks* (Aspatore Books 2007).

Mr. Pollock speaks regularly to audiences concerning construction, environmental and insurance law issues and has conducted dozens of presentations and seminars. Many of his law topics have allowed insurance adjusters to earn continuing education credits. Topics include construction site accidents, additional insured issues, indemnity and contribution and NC civil case law updates.

#### Civic Affiliations

Tarheel Swimming Association, past BOD  
New Wave Swim Team, past BOD  
Needham Broughton High School, Caps Club  
BOD and Secretary  
White Memorial Presbyterian Church, volunteer

#### Honors & Awards:

Martindale-Hubbell® AV Preeminent® Peer Rated  
*Best Lawyers in America*® editions 2015-present  
Insurance and Construction Litigation and Product Liability Litigation  
“Lawyer of the Year” Raleigh Metro in Insurance Litigation by *Best Lawyers*® 2016  
*Super Lawyers*® lists in Construction Litigation 2014-present  
*Super Lawyers*® Top 100 NC Lawyers list 2015-present; Top 25 Raleigh Lawyers list 2018-present  
North Carolina Legal Elite by *Business North Carolina* magazine  
Named Top Ranked Commercial Litigator by *The American Lawyer* and *Corporate Counsel* magazines

