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Practice Areas:

- Appellate Advocacy
- Civil Litigation
- Workers' Compensation

Education:

J.D., University of North
Carolina at Chapel Hill,
2001

M.A., North Carolina State
University, 1997

B.A., Hampden-Sydney
College, 1992

Bar and Court Admissions:

North Carolina State Bar

U.S. Supreme Court

Duane is an attorney in the firm's Charlotte office. His practice focuses in the areas of appellate advocacy, civil litigation, and workers' compensation. He is an active member of the North Carolina State Bar, North Carolina Bar Association, and Mecklenburg County Bar Association

Prior to joining Hedrick Gardner, Duane served as a law clerk to Judge Linda McGee of the North Carolina Court of Appeals. He is a member of the firm's Appellate Advocacy Practice Group and is instrumental in navigating client appeals through the appellate process. He has argued numerous appeals before the Industrial Commission, North Carolina Court of Appeals, and North Carolina Supreme Court.

While in law school, Duane served on the Honor Court from 1999 – 2001, taking on the leadership role of Vice Chair from 2000 – 2001. Additionally, he was an active member of the North Carolina Banking Institute Journal, serving as Articles Editor from 2000-2001.

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT:

- North Carolina State Bar
- North Carolina Bar Association
- Mecklenburg County Bar Associations
- Children's Law Center, Pro Bono Attorney, 2003 - present

REPRESENTATIVE CASES:

- *Chambers v. Transit Management*, 360 N.C. 609, 636 S.E.2d 553 (2006)
- *Gregory v. W. A. Bown & Sons*, 363 N.C. 750, 688 S.E.2d 431 (2010)
- *Nale v. Ethan Allen*, _ N.C. App _, 682 S.E.2d 231 (2009)