

## **H. Mark Hamlet**

### **Founding Partner**

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H. Mark Hamlet focuses his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, construction law, product liability, health care law, and insurance coverage and defense. Mr. Hamlet has been representing clients in Wilmington, North Carolina for thirty years. He has tried more than 50 jury cases as lead counsel within North Carolina's state and federal courts. He also has extensive appellate experience that includes published opinions in the North Carolina Court of Appeals and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

Mr. Hamlet is certified by the North Carolina Dispute Resolution Commission as a mediator for court ordered mediations in North Carolina. He is admitted to practice in North Carolina's U.S. District Courts and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Hamlet is a member of the New Hanover County Bar Association and North Carolina Bar Association, where he has served on the Construction Law Section Council. He also has served as chair of the Construction Section of the North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys and is a past president of the Fifth Judicial District Bar. Mr. Hamlet has been recognized as one of Business North Carolina magazine, "Legal Elite", The Best Lawyers in America for Commercial Litigation and Construction Litigation, and North Carolina Super Lawyers magazine, "Super Lawyers" for Construction Litigation.

Mr. Hamlet is a Deacon and Chairman of the Board of Trustees at First Baptist Church in Wilmington, North Carolina and has served on the Troop Committee for Boy Scouts of America Troop 232 in Wrightsville Beach. He has also served as chairman of the Government Affairs Committee for the Coastal Division of the Association of Builders and Contractors.

Mr. Hamlet was employed as a field adjuster for Integon Insurance Company in Winston-Salem, North Carolina prior to attending law school at Norman Andrian Wiggins School of

Law at Campbell University. During his time there, he learned the intricacies of the insurance industry and gained valuable insight into how the insurance business operates. Upon graduation Mr. Hamlet joined Crossley, McIntosh, Prior and Collier in Wilmington, North Carolina as an Associate specializing in Insurance Defense. Mr. Hamlet later joined Williams Mullen as a partner specializing in Construction and Civil Litigation, Insurance Defense, Mediations and Business Planning. Mr. Hamlet formed Hamlet & Associates, PLLC in May of 2012.

### **Education**

Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law at Campbell University, (J.D.)

Wake Forest University, (B.A.)

### **Bar Admissions**

North Carolina State Bar

South Carolina State Bar

### **Court Admissions**

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of North Carolina

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. District Court, South Carolina

### **Awards and Honors**

Business North Carolina magazine, 2017, 2019 “Legal Elite”

The Best Lawyers in America, 2017, Commercial Litigation, Litigation – Construction, Personal Injury Litigation

Listed as “Super Lawyer” by North Carolina Super Lawyers magazine, 2017, 2018, 2019

Selection criteria for Super Lawyers can be reviewed below at:  
[https://www.superlawyers.com/about/selection\\_process.html](https://www.superlawyers.com/about/selection_process.html)

### **Articles, Presentations, and Publications**

“The Kaleel Conundrum: Unsettled Questions Raised by Kaleel Builders, Inc. v. Ashby, 161 N.C. App. 34, 587 S.E.2d 470 (2003),” co-author with H. Mark Hamlet, W. Walter Rapp, and Jessica C. Tyndall: North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys’ 37th Annual Meeting and Seminar, June 12-15, 2014.

### **Professional Affiliations**

Fifth Judicial District Bar, Past President

New Hanover County Bar Association

North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys, Chair of the Construction Section

North Carolina Bar Association, Construction Law Section Council Member

North Carolina Depute Resolution Commission, Certified Mediator

### **Community Involvement**

Deacon and Trustee at First Baptist Church, Wilmington, NC

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer, Wilmington, NC

Ocean Dunes Homeowners Association, President, 2015-16