

Nexsen Pruet Attorneys Named 2019 Legal Elite of North Carolina

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Eight Nexsen Pruet attorneys have been selected by their peers for inclusion in *Business North Carolina's* 2019 Legal Elite of North Carolina.

According to the **publication**, "BNC has invited all active members of the N.C. State Bar to vote for peers they think are at the top of their fields. Attorneys can't vote for themselves or for members of the Legal Elite Hall of Fame — previous top vote-getters in a particular specialty. Votes for lawyers from an outside firm are weighted more heavily than votes for colleagues at the same firm. This year, 729 lawyers were selected as Legal Elite, fewer than 3% of the state's attorneys."

Nexsen Pruet attorneys who were recognized:

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Brian Anderson - Bankruptcy

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Eric Biesecker - Construction

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John Mabe Jr. - Construction

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Eric Mills - Intellectual Property

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Brian Pearce - Real Estate

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David Senter - Construction

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Bill Wilcox - Business

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Dr. John Zimmer - Intellectual Property

Read more from *Business North Carolina* [here](#).

Hall of Fame

The top vote-getter in each category then becomes a life-long member of Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite" Hall of Fame.

Nexsen Pruet Hall-of-famers include: Harper Heckman for Construction in 2016, Sarah Nagae for Intellectual Property in 2015 and Christy Myatt for Bankruptcy in 2010.

Business North Carolina's Methodology

"Since 2002, *Business North Carolina* magazine has honored Tar Heel lawyers by publishing Business North Carolina's Legal Elite, a listing of the state's top lawyers in business-related categories. Winners are chosen not by BNC editors but by the state's lawyers. Business North Carolina's Legal Elite has become the model for other awards and lists, but it remains unique as the only award that gives every active lawyer in the state the opportunity to participate. *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite includes the top lawyers chosen using this statewide ballot.

Each year, BNC sends ballot notices to every member of the N.C. State Bar living in North Carolina — asking each a simple question: Of the Tar Heel lawyers whose work you have observed firsthand, whom would you rate among the current best in these categories? Voters are not allowed to vote for themselves. They may select members of their firms only if they pick out-of-firm lawyers in the same categories, with the latter votes weighted more heavily. The top vote-getter in each category becomes a member of *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite Hall of Fame and is ineligible to win again."

Nexsen Pruet is one of the largest law firms in the Carolinas, with more than 190 attorneys and offices in Columbia, Charleston, Greenville, Hilton Head and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, as well as Charlotte, Greensboro and Raleigh, North Carolina. Founded in 1945, Nexsen Pruet provides a broad range of legal services to the business community and represents companies and other entities in local, state, national and international venues.