

Attorney Honored with Lifetime Service Award from NCEDA

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Nexsen Pruet economic development attorney, Ernest C. Pearson, was honored with the Lifetime Service Award from the North Carolina Economic Developers Association (NCEDA) at their annual fall conference in Asheville on October 4, 2022.

Pearson is a member in Nexsen Pruet's Raleigh office and has unparalleled experience in economic development matters. As Assistant Secretary for Economic Development during one of North Carolina's most successful periods of economic growth, he worked with scores of economic development projects and has counseled more than one hundred companies in site selection and incentive negotiation projects.

In addition to his role as general counsel to the NCEDA Foundation, Pearson crafts creative and successful solutions for companies expanding existing or locating new facilities. This experience benefits local and regional economic development efforts by leading them to cost-effective approaches to economic development successes.

"Ernie's work in North Carolina economic development spans decades of successful leadership and innovative deal-making. His impact on our state's growth is profound. He is a wonderful partner and a great friend to me," said Chris Kouri, Charlotte Managing Partner at Nexsen Pruet.

Best Lawyers in America® listed Pearson as one of only 28 lawyers in the country in the category of Economic Development in 2013, and he has been listed in this category every year since. He earned his J.D. from UNC Chapel Hill and his B.A. from NC State University.