

ROBERT H. MERRITT, JR.

With over 30 years of experience practicing law in Raleigh, Robert Merritt merged his practice with the firm in 2003. He concentrates his practice on tax controversies, business acquisitions and divestitures, real estate, commercial litigation and banking law. He regularly represents individuals and businesses in federal and state tax audit, collection and litigation matters with special emphasis on 941 civil penalty cases, sales and use tax adjustments and constitutional law issues affecting taxation. His endeavors in taxation resulted in Bailey & Dixon's receipt of Metro Magazine's "Metro Bravo" award for the Best Tax Law Firm for 2005, 2006 and 2007 and honorable mention for that award in 2008.

Mr. Merritt represents individuals, businesses and financial institutions in various contexts, including business dispositions, contracts, leases, asset and real estate based lending, conservation easement acquisition, business break-ups and loan restructuring. His practice also includes assistance to physicians in structuring business transactions, including their practice relationships under the Stark Laws.

Mr. Merritt's commercial litigation experience includes contract and real estate disputes, dissenter's rights and similar corporate litigation, trade secret and lender liability litigation, and representation of both lenders and debtors in U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative and Regulatory Law

EDUCATION

The Choate School; Wallingford, Connecticut 1967

University of North Carolina 1971

B.A.

Southern Methodist University 1974

J.D.

Southern Methodist University 1976

L.L.M. (Taxation)



JURISDICTIONS LICENSED

North Carolina; Texas

All North Carolina State and Federal District Courts

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. Tax Court

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY

Professional Activities Wake County Bar Association

North Carolina Bar Association

American Bar Association