



Commercial Litigation

Burr & Forman's Commercial Litigation team is comprised of over 150 attorneys spanning 20 offices in our 8-state footprint. Combined, this team is licensed in 28 states with pro hac vice status in numerous courts throughout the United States.

Our success representing our clients in commercial disputes is based on our desire to establish strong, personal, long-term relationships with them. We are committed to understanding our clients' businesses so we can align our efforts with their goals and position ourselves appropriately to support their dispute resolution strategy.

If litigation does occur, our attorneys have extensive trial, mediation, and arbitration experience along with a proven track record of successful outcomes. We have tried commercial cases in the Southeast and across the country involving breach of contract, commercial fraud and misrepresentation, bad faith, breach of fiduciary duty, antitrust, franchise, securities, and other issues. In many cases, injunctive relief is vital to protecting a client's interest on short notice. Our commercial litigators have considerable experience with temporary restraining orders (TROs) and preliminary injunction hearings.

Efficiency and results are our primary objectives. Representing both national and international companies, we work closely with our clients to ensure that we are providing cost-effective services that address the company's overall goals. Whether we are counseling on litigation avoidance or standing before a jury at trial, our team of commercial litigators is well equipped to handle the situation.

Our team tries commercial cases in the Southeast and across the country involving:

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- Antitrust
- Bad faith
- Breach of contract
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Construction
- Commercial fraud & misrepresentation
- Franchise
- Intellectual property
- Securities

Business Torts

Business disputes can engender a whole host of tort claims, ranging from tortious interference with business relations claims to defamation claims. What may, at first glance, appear to be a dispute over a contract may turn into a claim for fraud in the inducement, exposing the defendant to damage claims well in excess of what could be claimed under the contract alone. Burr attorneys assist clients in filing suits against other businesses for torts committed or represent clients in a business tort claim brought against them.

Contract Disputes

When a business deal goes “bad,” the first thing the parties may do is look at their contract – what was promised, and were these promises kept? Whether it’s a case where the other side is not fulfilling their contract or a company is being wrongly accused of breaching a contract, our attorneys litigate all types of contract disputes and are well-versed in Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) provisions governing commercial contracts for the sale of goods.

News

- Chattanooga Times Free Press Features Alex Little and Zack Lawson's Presentation on New Tennessee Hemp Regulations Media Mention, *Chattanooga Times Free Press* , 02.12.2024
- Christine Burns-Brown Named to Mobile Bay Magazine's "40 Under 40" Firm News, *Mobile Bay Magazine*, 01.08.2024
- Denzel Okinedo Details Opportunity Zone Investment Program and Future Changes for Business Alabama

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Media Mention, *Business Alabama*, 12.21.2023

- Burr & Forman Welcomes Commercial Litigation Attorney Lauren Rota
Firm News, 12.15.2023
- 58 Burr Attorneys Named to 2023 Mid-South Super Lawyers and Rising Stars List
Firm News, 11.28.2023

Events

- The Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) South Carolina Chapter Annual Meeting
Speaking Engagement, Central Energy - Columbia, SC, 09.14.2023
- Speaking Engagement - TMGMA 2021 Fall Conference: Path to the Future
Speaking Engagement, 09.17.2021

Publications

- U.S. Supreme Court Ruling May Impact Property Rights in Alabama
Media Mention, 06.05.2023
- A "Clean" Start to 2021: Changes to Federal Anti-Money Laundering Laws
Articles / Publications, 02.12.2021

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Class Action
Commercial Arbitration
Constitutional Law & First Amendment Disputes
Corporate Governance & Shareholder Disputes
eDiscovery
Mediators & Arbitrators
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UCC Litigation
Unfair Competition & False Advertising

RELATED AREAS

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