

## Adam R. Smart

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Adam serves as counsel in the firm's Commercial Litigation practice group.

Prior to joining Burr & Forman, Adam worked at the United States Department of Justice, serving as an Assistant United States Attorney for 7 years and as a Trial Attorney in the Tax Division for 8 years. During his time with the Department of Justice, Adam handled a variety of civil litigation on behalf of the government, including both specialized government litigation such as federal tax litigation, administrative law and FOIA litigation, civil rights defense, and False Claims Act investigations, as well as more general civil litigation such as contract and real property disputes, medical malpractice and general tort defense, and employment discrimination defense. Adam has extensive experience with complex litigation, as well as cases involving novel legal issues.

Prior to his time with the Department of Justice, Adam worked in private practice at a boutique litigation firm in North Carolina. He also served as a law clerk to the Honorable R. Lanier Anderson III on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the Honorable Linda M. McGee on the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

Adam received his J.D. with high honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he served as Executive Editor of the N.C. Banking Institute law journal. He also received his B.A. with honors and distinction in Economics, with a minor in Biology, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was a Morehead Scholar.

### Honors & Recognition

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation (2024)

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Commercial Litigation

Tax Law

Administrative & Regulatory

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#### EDUCATION

J.D., University of North Carolina  
School of Law

*with high honors*

B.A., University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill

*with honors and distinction*

#### LICENSED IN

Florida

# Adam R. Smart

- U.S. Department of Justice – Outstanding Attorney Award (2011, 2014)
- U.S. Department of Justice – Special Commendation (2008)

## News

- Burr & Forman Elects Eight New Partners for 2024  
Firm News, 01.01.2024
- Best Lawyers® 2024 Honors 242 Burr Attorneys, Including 17 "Lawyers of the Year"  
Firm News, 08.17.2023
- Burr & Forman Successfully Represents Former Amazon Employee in Defense of Claims Alleging a Kickback Conspiracy  
Firm News, 04.10.2023