

WELCOME!

50th REUNION

**Friday, September 5, 2025
Stone River**

121 Alexander Road, W. Columbia

*The South Carolina Bar Senior Lawyers Division and the
University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law
would like to thank all the honorees for their contribution
to the practice of law in South Carolina.*

ITINERARY

11 a.m. Registration & Fellowship

Noon



Welcome & Remarks

Barbara P. Ohanesian

SC Bar Senior Lawyers Division President



Christopher R. Koon

SC Bar President

12:10 p.m.



Remarks, Invocation, and Lunch

Dean William C. Hubbard

USC Joseph F. Rice School of Law

12:45 p.m.



Remarks

Hon. William B. Traxler, Jr.

U.S. Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

1 p.m.

**Recognition of Nifty Fifty Honorees and
USC School of Law Alumni**

Class Photos

2:30 p.m.

Adjourn

4 p.m.

Tour of USC Joseph F. Rice School of Law

*1525 Senate Street. Guests will meet in the law school's lobby.
Transportation will not be provided.*

5 p.m.

USC School of Law Alumni Cocktails and Dinner

Tickets available at the door – \$100 per person

NIFTY FIFTY HONOREES AND USC SCHOOL OF LAW ALUMNI CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

*Lawrence T. Acker
Saunders Aldridge
*Steven M. Anastasion
Sarah G. Anderson
*Joseph F. Anderson
Christine H. Andriacchi
*George S. Bailey
*Terri H. Bailey
*Glen S. Baldwin
*Ralph V. Baldwin, Jr.
*Melvin D. Bannister
Christopher S. Barnard
*R. Joseph Barnes
*Susan T. Barnes
*Robert L. Barnett
*Francis L. Barnwell
*Stephen Barnwell
George C. Beighley
William T. Belcher
*J. Jay Bender
*J. Ross Bengel
Nat B. Benson, Jr.
*Bruce T. Benton
Hon. Clifford E. Berinsky
Edward A. Bertele
*Vance J. Bettis
*David B. Betts
*Sandra T. Bisanar
Joseph J. Blake, Jr.
Robert T. Bockman
*William E. Booth, III
*H. Michael Bowers
*George Brandt, III
Douglas E. Brafford
Harry C. Bray
Robert G. Brazier
Ronald J. Briggs

*Alice C. Broadwater
T. Furman Brodie
*David I. Bruck
*James E. Bryan, Jr.
*Hon. Perry M. Buckner, III
*Francis W. Bull
W. Lewis Burke, Jr.
John M. Campbell, Jr.
*Frank W. Cannon
*Susan E. Carr
*Coleman L. Catoe, Jr.
C. Alan Chapman
*Kenneth L. Childs
*Frederick W. Christian
*Warren H. Christian, Jr.
Carol Clancy
Eva L. Clark
Hon. Gary E. Clary
*J. Stanley Claypoole, III
William C. Cleveland
*Charles P. Coates, III
*Tommie D. Cochran
*Connor M. Cogswell
*Daniel A. Collins
*Stephen M. Collins
*Harry T. Cooper
*Hon. Roger L. Couch
*Gregg P. Counts
*Charles T. Courtney
*W. Reid Cox, Jr.
Iris M. Croft
*Danny C. Crowe
*Kay G. Crowe
*J. Wesley Crum, III
Curtis N. Culver
Hon. Cameron M. Currie
Jo Hern Curris
*Mary C. Custy
*Thomas H. Dale
John L. Davidson
*Hon. Clyde N. Davis, Jr.
*D. Nathan Davis
Harry W. Davis, Jr.

*Robert W. Davis
*Thomas H. Davis, III
Amos C. Dawson, III
*Steven D. Dennis
*John D. Delgado
Stephen G. Dey
*John H. Douglas
James A. Duckett, Sr.
*George M. Ducworth
David T. Duff
*William E. DuRant
*Frampton W. Durban
Billy R. East
*Van E. Edwards
*William H. Ehlies
*F. Earl Ellis
*Gabrielle A. Elliott
Michael C. Eubanks
*Eugene A. Fallon
*Rose A. Featherston
*John R. Ferguson
Patricia M. Ferguson
Dannie B. Fogleman
*John M. Foster
*Elaine H. Fowler
*Robert S. French
*Israel A. From
*George P. Frooks
*Harvey L. Frye
*Arthur G. Fusco
*E. Hope Garner
*Paul E. Gault
*Donnie C. Gibson
*Eva L. Goodwater
*George A. Graab
E. Vernon F. Glenn
*Robert L. Green
*Ronald G. Greening
*Anthony J. Greico
Thomas C. Griffin
*William H. Grimball
D. Allen Grumbine
*Robert Guild

*Stephen K. Haigler
*Brynne L. Haines
*James E. Harr
*George C. Hart
Cary H. Hall
John B. Hardaway, III
*Alford Haselden
*Jeanne R. Hertzog
*Phillip G. Hickman
*Earl C. Hipp, Jr.
*Robert M. Holland
James K. Holmes
*Mark R. Holmes
*Robert R. Horger
*Newton I. Howle
*Thomas E. Huff
*Robert E. Hughes
*Daniel E. Hunt
*David A. Ingold
*Marianne R. Ingold
Richard G. Jackson
William S. Jacobs
Joseph M. Jenkins
*Robert N. Jenkins
Allen W. Johnson
Darrell T. Johnson
*Mary Kathryn Johnson
*Michael O. Johnson
*William C. Johnson
*Donald E. Jonas
*Gregg F. Jones
*James R. Jones
*Leonard R. Jordan
Michael F. Joseph
*Sanford D. Katine
*Lamar H. Kelsey
*Lloyd T. Kelso
*Stephen A. Kern
*Robert L. Kilgo, Jr.
*J. Eric Kindberg
Linda C. Klatt
*Henry D. Knight
*Lucy M. Knowles

*Kerry W. Koon
*Hon. Keith W. Kornahrens
*Fred B. Landon
*Tommy J. Lattimore
*Winston A. Lawton
*Stephen E. Lehman
*Jeffrey J. Lenar
*Nowell S. Lesser
*Ross M. Lindsay
*John P. Linton
*Angus B. Llewellyn
*Nina R. Mack
Michael A. MacKinnon
*Richard J. Magner
*James M. Mason
Glenn B. Manning
*Albert D. McAlister
*Shellie G. McCain, Jr.
*Stephen R. McCrae, Jr.
*D. Malloy McEachin, Jr.
*Jane A. McFaddin
Winston D. McIver
*J.C. McKelvey, Jr.
Prof. Martin C. McWilliams, Jr.
*Kenneth M. Mead
*John D. Medlin
*Don H. Meinhold
*Timothy C. Merrell
Jeffrey A. Merriam
*Ben N. Miller, III
*John T. Moore
*Robert T. Moore
*R. M. Munden
Joseph R. Neal, Sr.
W. Marcus Newton
Paul J. Nicholson
*Hon. David C. Norton
*Michael P. O'Connell
*Thomas J. O'Connor
Anthony B. O'Neill, Sr.
*Graydon V. Olive, III
*Edward H. Overcash, Jr.
Richard R. Parker
*Robert J. Parmley

* John H. Peacock, III
* Del Percilla
* James W. Peterson, Jr.
* James S. Pope
* Margaret C. Pope
* David Popowski
* Frank S. Potts
* F. Lee Prickett, Jr.
* William L. Pyatt
* John F. Rhem, Jr.
Charles H. Richardson
Robert E. Ridgway, Jr.
* M. Richbourg Roberson
Rev. Edmund H. Robinson
Lee M. Robinson
* Edward F. Rodgers
* Louis L. Rosen
* Richard S. Rosen
* Robert M. Rosenfeld
Peter H. Rosenthal
* Larry J. Rosintoski
* Andrew J. Savage, III
Eric C. Schweitzer
* Thomas L. Scott
Robert E. Seaman, III
George R. Sharwell
* Marshall P. Sherard, Jr.
* Daniel H. Shine
* William P. Simpson
* Nicholas P. Sipe
* Hon. Gary W. Smith
* Kathleen G. Smith
* Michael J. Smith
* Patricia T. Smith
* Harry F. Smithson
* R. Jeremy Solomon
* A.G. Solomons, Jr.
* Albert M. Sparrow
* George W. Speedy
* J. David Standeffer
* Henry R. Stanley
* Richard F. Stein
* James E. Stephenson
* Sarah B. Stewart

*Deborah J. Stirling
Bradford A. Stinson
*Wesley A. Stoddard
Fred W. Suggs, Jr.
*Kenneth M. Suggs
Bernard L. Sweeney
*Spencer A. Syrett
*John T. Taylor
Holcombe H. Thomas, Jr.
*William H. Thrower
*John S. Trimper
*Douglas N. Truslow
*Donald L. Van Riper
*Richard W. Vieth
Gayllis R. Ward
*Patrick R. Watts
*Roger A. Way, Jr.
*John L. Weaver
*Richard D. Welch
*Clifford L. Welsh
*Nancy R. Wendt-Cushing
Robert N. Wells, Jr.
*David A. Westerlund
*Larry C. Weston
*Hon. Charles W. Whetstone, Jr.
Andrew J. White, Jr.
*John B. White
*William G. White
*Arthur M. Wilcox, Jr.
*Arthur H. Wilder
*Charles H. Williams
*Mitchell M. Willoughby
*Gerald G. Wilson
*David G. Wolff
*Gary M. Wood
*Iris C. Wood
*William V. Woodson
Neil D. Wright
Steve Wukela, Jr.
T. Furman Brodie
*Sarah G. Young

**USC School of Law Alumni.*



Steven M. Anastasion was born February 4, 1947, in Chelsea, MA. He earned his B.A. from George Washington University in 1970 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He is a member of the American Bar Association and the SC Bar.

Steve is involved with the Salvation Army of the Midlands, the Columbia Museum of Art, and the SC Philharmonic.

His favorite memory from law school was enjoying the time, professors, and classmates during his three years.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Work hard, one file at a time. Seek advice from good lawyers and be patient mentoring younger lawyers as you advance your career. Participate in your local and state bar associations.”*



Hon. Joseph F. Anderson, Jr. was born November 16, 1949, in Edgefield, SC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science from Clemson University in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

In 1986, he was appointed United States District Judge by President Ronald W. Reagan. Prior to that, Judge Anderson practiced law in Edgefield and represented Edgefield and Aiken Counties in the SC General Assembly.

When appointed at age 36, Judge Anderson became the youngest federal judge in South Carolina history and the second youngest in the country. He served on the federal bench for 34 years, seven of those years as Chief Judge.

Judge Anderson recently took senior status, but retains an active court schedule, in addition to serving as an adjunct professor of Evidence and Federal Courts at the University of South Carolina Joseph F. Rice School of Law.

He is a member of the Rotary Club and has been a member of the John Belton O’Neill Inn of Courts since 1990 and has served as its president.



Melvin D. Bannister was born December 13, 1949, in Abbeville, SC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science from the University of South Carolina in 1972 and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

He has been a trial lawyer since 1975 and was admitted to practice in all state courts, federal District Court (S.C.), Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. He is a member of the SC Bar and its Professional Responsibility Committee and Ethics Advisory Committee.

In 1989, he was recognized as the SC Optimist of the Year from Optimist International.

He served as vice president of Optimist International 2010-2011 and as president of the Optimist International Foundation 2018-2019.

His favorite memory from law school was when he was under the student practice rule his senior year he researched and wrote the Appellant's Brief in the successful appeal to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals case of *Roseboro v. Garrison*, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975). He was present for oral arguments.

His advice for young lawyers, "Quoting Jim Valvano: "Don't give up; don't ever give up!"



T. Furman Brodie, II was born September 29, 1948, in Charleston, SC. He earned his B.A. from The Citadel in 1969 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He works with Charles Ingram Lumber Co., Inc. in Florence.

In 2014, he received the Charles H. Florey Award for Distinguished Service presented by the SC Forestry Association and the Beale Award for Distinguished Service by the Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association in 2018.

Furman previously served as chair of the following boards: the American Lumber Standards Committee, American Wood Council, Southern Pine Inspection Bureau, Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association, and the S.C. Forestry Association. He served on the board for Florence Symphony, Florence Habitat for Humanity, Presbyterian Communities of SC, Presbyterian Communities of SC Foundation and the Softwood Lumber Treated Wood Council.

His favorite memory from law school was meeting his wife.



Coleman L. Catoe, Jr. was born December 26, 1946, in Columbia, SC. He earned his B.A. from the University of South Dakota in 1969 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He is retired and a member of First Baptist Church in Columbia.



Tommie D. Cochran was born May 16, 1944, in Albertville, AL. He earned his B.S. in Business from the University of Alabama in 1970 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

Doug retired from the SC Department of Mental Health after 35 years of service.

He is a member of the SC Bar and Trinity Baptist Church

in Cayce. He is involved in his children and grandchildren's activities.

His favorite memory from law school was spending many hours working in the law library at night and on weekends meeting students and professors. He supported his wife and two little babies while in law school and even though it was tough and he was too tired to study – they are still good memories.



Danny C. Crowe was born October 13, 1949, in Columbia, SC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science from Duke University in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He practices with the Garfield Spreeuwers Law Group, LLC, in Columbia where he specializes in local government law, local government litigation, and mediation/arbitration. From 2003 until 2005, he was general counsel of the Municipal Association of SC.

In 2002, he received the Matthew J. Perry Civility Award presented by the Richland County Bar Association. He was recognized in the Best Lawyers in America's ADR Lawyer of the Year for Columbia in 2011, 2013, and 2020.

He is a member of the Richland County Bar Association, where he served as president in 1997; the SC Municipal Attorneys Association, where he served as president in 2001; the SC Bar Dispute Resolution Section Council, where he served as chair in 2013-2014. He is also a member of Shandon United Methodist Church.

His favorite memory from law school was the first year walk between classes in Petigru and in the "new" (now "old") law school on South Main Street.

His advice for young lawyers, *"Always be prepared, always be ready to speak, and always have something meaningful to say when you speak."*



Kay G. Crowe was born September 30, 1951, in Gaffney, SC. She earned her B.A. from the University of California, Davis in 1972 and her J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

She practices with Barnes Alford Stork & Johnson, LLP, in Columbia where she specializes in medical malpractice defense.

Kay is a member of the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel and the SC Defense Trial Attorneys' Association.

She is a member of Shandon United Methodist Church and serves as Conference Chancellor for the SC United Methodist Church.

Thomas H. Dale was born April 23, 1949, in Bethesda, MD. He earned his B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1971 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He practices with the Dale Law Firm in Orlando, FL, where he specializes in federal criminal defense.

Tom is a member of the Florida Bar.



Hon. Clyde N. Davis, Jr. was born October 28, 1946, in Greenville, SC. He earned his B.S. in Accounting from Bob Jones University and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

Woody is a retired master-in-equity court judge from Lexington County.

He is a member of the SC Bar and is involved with Finish the Work, where volunteers complete unfinished construction projects such as churches and serve communities in need in Central and South America and the Caribbean.



David T. Duff was born January 2, 1950, in Philadelphia, PA. He earned his B.A. from Kenyon College in 1971, his J.D. from Temple University Law School in 1975, and his LL.M in Employment & Labor Law from NYU School of Law in 1977.

He is a partner with Duff & Childs, LLC, in Columbia where he specializes in employment and labor law. He is certified by the Supreme Court of SC as a specialist in employment and labor law and is a certified mediator and arbitrator.

Dave is a member of the American Bar Association and SC Bar.

His advice to young lawyers, *"If you have a mentor, listen closely to him/her."*



Robert S. French was born July 26, 1946, in Ft. Jackson, SC. He earned his B.A. in 1968 from the University of South Carolina and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

He is retired and resides in NC.

He is a member of the American Bar Association and the SC Bar.

His favorite memories from law school were making long term friends and Graduation Day.

His advice for young lawyers, *"Be Honest with all clients, fellow lawyers and Courts. If you take on a matter and do the work. Take good care of the good people in your life!"*



E. Hope Garner was born June 27, 1948, in Union, SC. He earned his B.A. in History from the University of South Carolina in 1970 and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

He practices with Garner, Corbett & Gilchrist in Columbia, where he specializes in personal injury, workers' compensation and medical malpractice.

In 2016, he was recognized by USC Union during its Founders' Day Celebration. He serves on the Palmetto College Board of Visitors.

Hope is a member of the SC Bar, SC Association of Justice, USC Gamecock Club, and USC Alumni Association.

His favorite memory from law school was the Member of The Back Row "Outsiders Group."

His advice for young lawyers, "*Persevere.*"



Robert L. Green was born November 11, 1947, in Philadelphia, PA. He earned his B.S. in Business Administration with concentration in marketing from the University of South Carolina in 1969 and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

He is an investment advisor with BG Financial Advisors, LLC in Beaufort.

In 1983, he was recognized as a chartered financial consultant from the American College of Financial Services and a chartered life underwriter in 1984.

Bob is a member of the Premier Association of Financial Professionals Million Dollar Roundtable and Court of the Table and the Silicon Valley Financial Service Professionals, where he served as president in 1995 and was appointed to the national Board of Directors in 2000.

He is a member of Plus Rotary International and the SC Bar.

His favorite memories from law school were Dean Foster, Day One and Pettigru College.

His advice for young lawyers, "*Follow your heart.*"



John B. Hardaway, III was born April 13, 1945, in Greenville, SC. He earned his B.S. from Clemson University in 1967; his M.S. from Iowa State University in 1969; graduated from Catholic University of America; and received his J.D. from the University of Tennessee in 1975.

He practices with Nexsen Pruet, LLC in Greenville, specializing in intellectual property law.

He was inducted into Clemson University's Thomas Green Clemson Academy of Engineers and Scientists; served as chair of the Japan Patent Office Practice Committee and the American Intellectual Property Law As-

sociation Japan Practice Committee.

He serves on numerous boards including the YMCA Division Board of Directors, Metropolitan Board, Endowment Board, Centre Stage Board, and the Meals on Wheels Board.

John is a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, Carolina Patent Trademark Copyright Law Association, International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys, International Trademark Law Association, and the SC Bar.

His favorite memory from law school was commuting from Oak Ridge to Knoxville Tennessee.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Do not burn any bridges.”*

E. Clayton Hipp, Jr. was born July 3, 1946, in Whitmire, SC. He earned his B.A. from Wofford College, MBA from the University of South Carolina and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

Clay is a member of the SC Bar and resides in NC.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Broaden your thinking, never stop learning, commit yourself to truth.”*

William C. Johnson was born April 24, 1950, in Raleigh, NC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science from Furman University in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He practices domestic, traffic, criminal, and mental health cases in Suffolk, VA.

He was a Distinguished Military Graduate from Furman University, recognized in Who's Who, and is involved with his local Rotary Club.

Bill is a member of the Virginia State Bar, Suffolk Bar Association, and Special Justice for Mental Health Commitments.

His favorite memories from law school were graduation, memories of his roommates and study group members and Mitch's 1940's Dodge.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Never accept your present situation. Take a chance on you.”*



Robert L. Kilgo, Jr. was born October 29, 1949, in Charleston, SC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science in 1970 from Emory University, his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law, and his B.A. in History from Francis Marion University in 2020.

In 2019, he was honored by Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society.

He is a member of the Darlington Kiwanis Club, Darlington Downtown Revitalization Association, Darlington County Humane Society, Darlington County History Society, and the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina Stand-

ing Committee.

He is a member of the SC Bar, and serves on its Memory Hold the Door Committee and Senior Lawyers Division Executive Council.

His favorite memory from law school was Mr. Underwood's classes.

His advice for young lawyers, "*There is a life outside the office.*"

Lucy M. Knowles was born March 9, 1950, in Aiken, SC. She earned her B.A. in Political Science from Wellesley College in 1971 and her J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

She is retired Chief Counsel for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Operations Office in Aiken.

She was awarded the Secretary of Energy Certificate of Merit in 1989 for community service, the DOE Exceptional Service Award for her work in recovering \$14 Million for DOE and the Council of the Inspectors General for Integrity and Efficiency Award for Excellence in 2009 for her work on a significant False Claims Act case.

Lucy served as secretary for the Hitchcock Woods Foundation and the Historic Aiken Foundation; was former president of the Preservation Foundation of Aiken and is a member of the Rutherford Hall Foundation.

She is a member of the Aiken County Bar Association.



Nina R. Mack was born August 10, 1950, in Columbia, SC. She earned her B.A. in Mathematics from Mary Baldwin College in 1972 and her J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

She is a member of the SC Bar and the US Supreme Court Bar. She is also a member of St. Matthew's Parish Anglican Church, Fort Motte Garden Club, Calhoun County Cares, and Community Bible Study in Orangeburg.

Her favorite memories from law school were making friends; walking and carrying heavy books between Petigru and the "new" law school; having marathon study sessions before exams; making outlines of courses; looking out of the window of the "new" law school at the busy street below and wishing I were in one of those cars.

Her advice for young lawyers, "*Try to keep the practice of law in perspective.*"



Albert D. McAlister was born July 2, 1951, in Laurens, SC. He received his B.S. from the University of Virginia in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, serves on the Clemson University Foundation Board and was

chair of the SC Democratic Party from 1990 until 1994.

In 2004, he was received the Compleat Lawyer Award by the USC School of Law.

His favorite memory from law school was forming friendships that have lasted for 50 years.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Honor this profession and its rules of conduct and civility. This is a country of laws and not people.”*



Stephen R. McCrae, Jr. was born December 28, 1947, in Sumter, SC. He earned his B.A. in Economics from Princeton University in 1971 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He is a partner with K&L Gates, LLP, specializing in real estate transactions. Prior to joining the firm, he worked with Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, LLP.

Steve served on the SC Board of Law Examiners for 18 years, retiring in 2024. He was appointed by the SC Supreme Court and served as chair of its task force to recommend and help implement the the SC component of UBE.

In 2008, he was honored by York County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

He is a former member and chair (1985) of the SC Arts Commission; founder of McCelvey Center of York, Inc.; former member of the York County Cultural and Heritage Commission and the Board of Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, now known as Preservation South Carolina, serving as president in 2000-2003 and 2012-2016.

His favorite memory from law school was Am Jur Award for Torts under Professor Montgomery.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Know and never forget the Rules of Professional Conduct. Work hard but don’t be misled by that old and now offensive adage ‘the law is a jealous mistress’ (which I constantly heard as a young lawyer) – instead put family first and enjoy life beyond the practice of law.”*



Ben N. Miller, III was born January 23, 1946, in Columbia, SC. He earned his B.S. in Chemistry from Duke University in 1968 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He was an officer in the U.S. Army Signal Corp. serving from 1968 through 1972. Following admission to the SC Bar in 1975, he became an associate with the Columbia firm McKenzie Lybrand, LLP and is now a partner. His practice has centered on real estate mortgage foreclosures since 1980.

Ben is a member of the American Bar Association and the Richland County Bar Association. He is admitted to practice in the United States Dis-

trict Court for the District of South Carolina. He is involved with The Palmetto Opera.



John T. Moore was born May 24, 1949, in Columbia, SC. He earned his B.A. from Erskine College in 1971, his MBA from the University of South Carolina, and J.D. from USC School of Law.

In 2024, he retired from Nelson Mullins. From 1989 until 2024, he served as general counsel to the SC Bankers Association.

He received his Honorary Doctor of Laws from Erskine College.

He serves on the local hospital board, Erskine College Board of Trustees, where he served two terms as chair, and the Bonclarken Assembly Grounds, where he was former chairman.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, and the SC Bar, where he served as chair of the Corporate, Banking, and Securities Law Section and the Consumer Law Section.

His favorite member from law school was establishing lifelong relationships with South Carolina lawyers.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Be active in bar, civic/community and non-profit organizations.”*



Hon. David C. Norton was born July 25, 1946, in Washington DC. He earned his B.A. in History from University of South in 1968. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1969 until 1972 and became a Yeoman Second Class. He later received his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

After graduation, he was in private practice in Charleston until 1977. He was an assistant deputy solicitor for the Ninth Judicial Circuit from 1977 until 1980. He was a city attorney of Isle of Palms from 1980 until 1985. He was in private practice in Charleston from 1981 to 1990 and was a partner at the law firm of Holmes & Thomson.

In 1990, he was commissioned U.S. District Judge. He served as Chief Judge from 2007 until 2012.

He is a member of the SC Bar and the U.S. Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. He was a former member of the Judicial Conference of the United States.



Graydon V. Olive, III was born June 16, 1950, in Lynchburg, VA. He earned his B.A. from the University of South Carolina in 1972 and his J.D. from USC School of Law.

He retired from real estate title insurance underwriter.

Gray received the AF Meritorious Service Medal 1979-2002, AF Outstanding Reserve JA Award in 1995 and the AF Legion of Merit in 2005.

In 1983, he served as president of the Columbia Jaycees and was the director of Palmetto Land Title Association from 1998 until 2005.

He is a member of the SC Bar and its Real Estate Practices Section, and the Richland County Bar Association.

His favorite memory from law school was passing the Bar Exam.

His advice for young lawyers, "*Be honest and ethical in everything you do.*"

Robert M. Rosenfeld was born April 6, 1950, in Greenville, SC. He earned his BBA from the University of Georgia in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He is a sole practitioner, specializing in family law.

He is involved in Meals on Wheels.

Bobby serves on the Executive Committee of the Greenville Bar Association and its Committee on Character & Fitness.



Hon. Gary W. Smith was born March 17, 1950, in Florence, SC. He earned his BS in Banking Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate from the University of South Carolina College of Business Administration in 1971 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law, where he was a member of the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity.

From 1976 until 2005, he served in the U.S. Army (COL, USA Ret.) From 1998 until 2001, he served as Chief Trial Judge, U.S. Army. In 2012, he retired as Assistant Chief Immigration Judge from the U.S. Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review.

In 1983, he graduated from the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School; the National Judicial College in 1984; the Army Command and General Staff College in 1991; and the Army War College in 1998. In 2014, he earned his MBA from Augusta University and his BA in History from Augusta University Pamplin College in 2016.

In 1972, he received the American Jurisprudence Award in Criminal Procedure; the Ancient Order of Saint Barbara, presented by the U.S. Army in 1995; the U.S. Armed Forces Legion of Merit in 1996, 1998, 2001 & 2005; and various military awards in Stateside and five overseas assignments.

He is a member of the American Legion and Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society.

His favorite memory from law school was enjoying the courses he took under Professor John Freeman.

His advice for young lawyers, *“Work hard, strive for excellence, maintain your integrity, always do the right thing, and make a difference in everything you do.”*



Kathleen G. Smith was born October 27, 1945, in Dallas, TX. She received her B.A. from Texas Christian University in 1968 and her J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

She practices with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A., where she advises financial institutions on compliance, consumer credit, banking and state and federal regulatory laws. Before joining the team at Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, Kathy was counsel to the Administrator of the SC Department of Consumer Affairs. For more than 20 years, she served as in-house senior counsel and senior vice president to Wachovia Corporation and its predecessor, SC National Corporation.

Kathy is a member of the American Bankers Association Business Law Section Consumer Financial Services Committee, Richland County Bar Association, and the SC Women Lawyers Association, where she served as chair of its Military Committee.

She is also a member of the SC Bar and its Intellectual Property committee; Closing Responsibility task force; Corporate, Banking & Securities Law Section; served as chair of the Consumer Law Section; vice chair of its Technology Committee; and former Animal Law committee.

She is involved with the Columbia World Affairs Council and is a past president of the Shandon Neighborhood Council.

Her favorite memories from law school were Professor Means borrowing a Skinny from a student and teaching from it when he left his lecture notes at home; and gatherings at law professors' homes including Professor Grant.

Her advice for young lawyers, *“Remember your oath to the Constitution and the oath of civility; take your job seriously but not yourself; find the joy in life.”*



Kenneth M. Suggs was born September 24, 1946, in Greenville. He earned his B.A. in Economics from Clemson University in 1968 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law. Before attending law school, he served in the United States Navy, including two years in the Vietnam War.

He practices law with Janet, Janet & Suggs, LLC in Charleston where he specializes in medical malpractice (plaintiff), trucking

(plaintiff), and product liability.

He is a past president of the American Association for Justice, Richland County Bar Association, and Southern Trial Lawyers Association. He serves on the Board of Visitors and the president's advisory council at Clemson University.

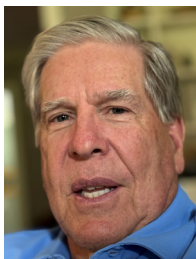
He received the Justice Harry Philo Award, Leonard Ring Champion of Justice Award, and President's Award presented by the American Association of Justice. In 1998, he received the Compleat Lawyer Award presented by the USC School of Law. In 2016, he received the prestigious War Horse Award and the Tommy Malone Great American Eagle Award from the Southern Trial Lawyers Association.

In 2007, he received the Founders Award, presented by the SC Trial Lawyers Association and the American Bar Association's Torts and Insurance Practice Section's Pursuit of Justice Award in 2008.

He has been listed among Best Lawyers in America® for more than 25 years in the areas of mass torts, medical malpractice, personal injury and product liability litigation. His other Best Lawyers® awards include Lawyer of the Year Product Liability Litigation – Plaintiffs, Columbia, SC, 2016, 2012, 2010; and Best Lawyers® Lawyer of the Year – Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs, Columbia, SC, 2014, 2009. Ken has been listed in the South Carolina Super Lawyers since it was developed in 2008. In 2009, he was recognized as South Carolina Super Lawyers® Top Point Getter.

His favorite memory from law school was arguing a case at the 4th Circuit under the Student Practice Rule.

His advice for young lawyers, *"The most important personal quality for success is confidence. Believe in yourself and your abilities. Always do what you say you will do."*



David Westerlund was born September 3, 1950, in Charleston, SC. He graduated from the University of Virginia and earned his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He retired as executive vice president of administration from the Ball Corporation.

David is a member of the SC Bar, SC Historical Society, College of Charleston Foundation, and the Coastal Conservation League.

His favorite memory from the law school was Friday afternoon meetings with his mentor during his first year.

His advice for young lawyers, *"Law school may have prepared you for a variety of opportunities, including outside of the practice of law."*



Hon. Charles W. Whetston, Jr. was born January 16, 1950, in Columbia, SC. He earned his B.A. from Clemson University in 1972 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He practices with Whetstone, Perkins & Fulda, where he specializes in complex injury and business litigation. From 1991-1997, he served as a Circuit Court judge presiding over civil and criminal cases. Prior to that, he was a general practitioner in St. Matthews.

He is involved with the Calhoun County Democratic Party.

He is a member of the American Association for Justice, SC Association for Justice, SC American Board of Trial Advocates, SC Bar, and the Southern Trial Lawyers.

His advice for young lawyers, *"Take your oath seriously!"*



David G. Wolff was born April 3, 1949 in Toledo, OH. He earned his B.A. from Ohio University in 1971, and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

He practices with Barnes Alford Stork & Johnson, LLP in Columbia where he specializes in commercial real estate.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, SC Bar, and the Richland County Bar Association.

He was selected in the 2014 and 2015 editions of Best Lawyers in America for practice area of real estate law. Selected as 2015 Best Lawyers in America Columbia, SC Real Estate Lawyer of the Year. Selected to 2014 SC Super Lawyers for practice area of real estate law.

Selected by Super Lawyers, Best Lawyers and Midlands Legal Elite for the past 10+ years

He is involved with Communities in Schools of the Midlands, the Richland County Public Library Trust, and the AC Flora High School Foundation.

His favorite memory from law school was making new friends and meeting new people.

His advice for young lawyers, *"Find the right balance between work, family, and outside interests; take care of yourself."*

IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

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President: Gerald R. Ford **Vice President:** Nelson Rockefeller
Life Expectancy: 76.6 years for women & 68.8 years for men
World Population: 4.062 billion



What things cost

Average Annual Income:	\$11,800
Gas Per Gallon:	57 cents
New Car:	\$4,800
New House:	\$39,300
Hourly Federal Minimum Wage:	\$2.10



Billboard Singles

“Love Will Keep Us Together” by Captain & Tennille
“Rhinestone Cowboy” by Glen Campbell
“Philadelphia Freedom” by Elton John
“Before the Next Teardrop Falls” by Freddy Fender



Top Grossing Movies

Jaws - \$133,400,000
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest - \$59,200,000
The Rocky Horror Picture Show - \$50,420,000
Shampoo - \$23,822,000



Bestsellers

“Salem’s Lot” by Stephen King
“Tuck Everlasting” by Natalie Babbitt
“Shōgun (Asian Saga, #1)” by James Clavell
“Factotum” by Charles Bukowski



Major News Stories

Fall of Saigon and End of Vietnam War
Viking Program Launch
End of the Birmingham Six Trial
Founding of Microsoft

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