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PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative law
Civil Litigation
Commercial transactions
Condo, property and homeowners
association law
Construction law
Corporate general counsel
Insurance coverage
Legal malpractice defense
Premises liability
Personal injury
Products liability
Professional malpractice
Real estate and timeshare development
Restaurant and hospitality law

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Charleston County Bar Association
South Carolina Bar
American Bar Association
South Carolina Defense Trial
Attorneys Association
Defense Research Institute
Professional Liability Underwriting Society

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts
Furman University
Juris Doctorate
University of South Carolina

COURT ADMISSIONS

All South Carolina courts
U.S. District Court for the District of S.C.
Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

Being a good counselor is often the most important skill that a lawyer can possess, especially in the context of representing businesses and professionals. In both litigation and transactional work, it is critical for outside counsel to have an understanding of the client's business goals beyond the boundaries of the matter at hand. Michael Barfield is personally invested in achieving his clients' short and long term goals as both lawyer and counselor. As a Barnwell Whaley member attorney, he has developed a successful practice in the areas of professional negligence, construction litigation, commercial litigation, property related litigation and personal injury, in addition to a substantial real estate practice focused on the fractional ownership industry.

Michael Barfield holds an AV preeminent Martindale-Hubbell rating, representing the highest level of professional excellence and has been recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his handling of insurance law matters .

A graduate of Furman University (BA), Mr. Barfield received his J.D. from the University of South Carolina. While in law school, Mr. Barfield was the Articles Editor on the student editorial board of the ABA Real Property, Probate and Trusts Journal; and a member of Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity.

Mr. Barfield is active in the Charleston community as a member of the Board of Trustees of St. Mark United Methodist Church. He previously served as Attorney Coach of West Ashley High School Mock Trial Team and as a Den Leader for Cub Scout Pack 79 of the Coastal Carolina Council of the Boy Scouts of America.