

**Practice areas**

Civil litigation  
 Appellate practice  
 Bad faith  
 Construction law  
 Employment liability and litigation  
 Insurance coverage and defense  
 Intellectual property  
 Mediations

**Professional memberships**

Charleston County Bar Association  
 South Carolina Bar Association,  
 Practice and Procedure committee  
 Federal Bar Association  
 National Association of College and  
 University Attorneys

**Education**

Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*  
 Grove City College  
 Juris Doctorate, *magna cum laude*  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 School of Law

**Court admissions**

United States Supreme Court  
 United States Court of Appeals for the  
 Fourth Circuit  
 United States Court of Appeals for the  
 Third Circuit  
 United States Court of Appeals for the  
 Federal Circuit  
 United States District Court for the  
 Western District of Pennsylvania  
 United States District Court for the  
 District of South Carolina  
 Pennsylvania Supreme Court  
 South Carolina Supreme Court

**Publications**

Annual Contributor,  
*Thomson Reuters' Practical Law,*  
*Intellectual Property and Technology*  
 Annual Contributor,  
*A.M. Best's South Carolina -*  
*Insurance Law Digest*

**John W. Fletcher**

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John Fletcher first gained a respect for the intricacies of legal research and writing, while serving as a Research Editor on the University of Pittsburgh Law Review during law school. This admiration of the intellectual aspects of the practice of law — and of the law itself — has remained with John throughout his career. Over his nearly twenty years of practice, John has been deeply involved with many of Barnwell Whaley's most complex and challenging cases, in such varied areas of the law as antitrust, intellectual property and professional malpractice. In 2016, John added mediations services to his portfolio of services as he attained his South Carolina Board of Arbitrator and Mediator Certification from the South Carolina Bar Association.

As he embarked on his career, John was fortunate to work with highly respected attorneys who heavily included him in their complex work. While still in law school in his native state of Pennsylvania, John assisted in the research of several items of proposed legislation and was heavily involved in the drafting of a complex brief before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit on an uncertain area of Section 1983 liability. Working as an attorney in Pittsburgh, he assisted in the litigation of numerous complex matters, including large products liability cases, class actions, toxic torts and CERCLA litigation. These experiences afforded him the opportunity to work on cases in federal and state courts throughout the country. During this time, John published numerous articles in the Journal of the Allegheny County Bar Association (PA).

Ultimately, John and his family answered the call of the Lowcountry (and no snow in the winter) and relocated to beautiful Charleston, where he began working with Barnwell Whaley in 2004. It is a decision he has not regretted. Since joining Barnwell Whaley, John has carried a challenging, varied and complex caseload, with cases at all levels of both state and federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court. John has represented a diverse group of clients, from contractors to colleges to fellow lawyers.

When he is not practicing law, John lives in Mount Pleasant with his beautiful wife, Maria, and their two children. At home, he serves in his most important role: "daddy." He enjoys sports of all varieties (especially following the Pitt Panthers).