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Having started my career as a judicial clerk, I understand the value of effective and aggressive advocacy when litigation is necessary. Litigation can be a high-stakes and often foreign process to many, so my goal is to earn your trust through thoughtful and consistent communication. My experience working for judges in federal and business court helps me understand the ways those courts analyze complex issues. I aim to use that knowledge to help clients achieve their desired outcomes.

Billy McClelland is a North Carolina litigator, specializing in general **commercial litigation**, **construction**, and **employment disputes**. With a strong legal foundation and commitment to client success, Billy is a dedicated advocate known for navigating complex legal landscapes in North Carolina and the surrounding region.

Billy earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of North Carolina School of Law. During his time in law school, he interned with the university's athletic department, assessing compliance with evolving NIL legislation. He also interned with the Honorable David C. Kessler at the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina. He then began his legal career as a clerk for the Honorable Julianna T. Earp of the North Carolina Business Court before joining Johnston Allison Hord's Litigation Practice Group.

Practices

Litigation
Construction
Employment Practices & Benefits

Industries

Automotive
Distribution
Energy
Financial Services
Healthcare
Local Government
Manufacturing
Real Estate, Hospitality & Construction
Retail
Sports & Entertainment
Technology

Bar Admissions

North Carolina

Education

University of North Carolina School of Law (JD, , 2022)
Davidson College (BA, , 2019)
• Religious Studies

Associations

Professional

• North Carolina Bar Association

Honors

- ***The Best Lawyers in America***© – Ones to Watch:
Commercial Litigation (2025)
- President of the Broun National Trial Team, *University of North Carolina School of Law*