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Troy handles a wide range of litigation matters, with a focus on business disputes, class actions and appeals.

Troy has litigated a wide variety of contract disputes, including construction, manufacturing, employment, and lease agreements, as well as insurance coverage disputes. These disputes often include claims for theft of trade secrets and violations of noncompetes. Troy has litigated contract disputes in arbitration and before jurors. Complementing this work, Troy also advises clients on their antitrust obligations and competition concerns for contracts under negotiation.

Complex litigation requires strategic planning from the outset, and that is especially true for class actions. Troy has represented clients facing hundreds of millions of dollars in potential exposure from class actions. The successful defense of these high stakes cases requires carefully framing the dispute at every stage of the case — including discovery, certification, and appeal.

Troy has also handled disputes involving state administrative law and trade regulation. These matters have included jurisdictional disputes between occupational licensing boards, as well as disputes between licensing boards and their licensees.

Client Resources

[It's Just Business Blog](#)

Troy contributes to this blog, which provides analyses of North Carolina Business Court decisions. The goal of this blog is to arm businesses with the information they need to adjust their legal strategies as the case law evolves. [Visit the blog](#)

[North Carolina Appellate Practice Blog](#)

Troy is also a contributing author on this blog, which provides news, information and tips for practicing law in North Carolina's State and Federal Appellate Courts. [Visit the blog.](#)

Before Fox Rothschild

Prior to joining Fox, Troy worked as an associate at a boutique litigation firm. Before that, he was a law clerk to U.S. District Judge Thomas D. Schroeder of the Middle District of North Carolina.



During law school, Troy was an intern to the Honorable Justice Mark Martin of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. He also interned with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of North Carolina and externed with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In addition, Troy served as the *North Carolina Law Review's* articles editor.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Troy helped to create and currently administers North Carolina's Pro Bono Appellate Program. He has also served as a guardian ad litem for abused and neglected children and has volunteered as appellate counsel to the North Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program.

Honors & Awards

- Named to the "Ones to Watch" list in North Carolina for Appellate Practice and Commercial Litigation by *Best Lawyers* (2021)
- North Carolina *SuperLawyers*, Rising Stars Edition, Listed Business Litigation (2019, 2020)
- Named to *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite list for "Young Guns" (2019, 2020) and Appellate (2020)
- North Carolina Pro Bono Honor Society (2019)

Practice Areas

- Litigation
- Appellate Practice
- Class Actions

Bar Admissions

- North Carolina

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Western District of North Carolina

Education

- University of North Carolina School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014)
 - Order of the Coif
- Duke University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2011)
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Memberships

- Appellate Practice Section of the North Carolina Bar Association, Pro Bono Committee Co-Chair (2017-present)

Board of Directors



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- North Carolina Supreme Court Historical Society, Board of Trustees (2017-present)