

Five Litigators Join Bradley's Charlotte Office

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP announced that partners Robert R. Marcus, C. Bailey King Jr., and J. Douglas Grimes, and associates Timothy P. Lendino and Bridget V. Warren have joined the firm's Charlotte office.

All five attorneys join Bradley from Smith Moore Leatherwood LLP, where Marcus was the partner in charge of that firm's Charlotte office and King led the office's litigation practice.

"We are excited to have these five accomplished litigators join Bradley's Charlotte office," said Bradley Charlotte Office Managing Partner Christopher C. Lam. "This team of attorneys has extensive experience and a track record of success handling diverse and complex litigation cases in state and federal courts in North Carolina and other jurisdictions, including specifically the North Carolina Business Court. They have also demonstrated leadership in the profession and community and exemplify the best of what our firm values."

"We welcome this skilled group of attorneys and know they will be an asset to Bradley's nationally recognized litigation team. We are pleased that our Charlotte office continues to grow as part of the firm's strategic expansion plan," said Brian O'Dell, Bradley's Litigation Practice Group leader.

In a release, the firm said Marcus has more than two decades of trial experience involving high-stakes, complex business disputes in state and federal courts in North Carolina and in the North Carolina Business Court. His cases have involved intellectual property, securities and financial disputes, insurance coverage matters, contract enforcement, and class actions and personal injury claims. Formerly the partner in

charge of Smith Moore Leatherwood's Charlotte office and chairman of the firm's Management Committee, Marcus also frequently speaks and writes about business litigation issues.

Marcus received his J.D. with honors from Duke University School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts (cum laude) from Hamilton College.

Formerly the leader of Smith Moore Leatherwood's Charlotte litigation practice, King represents businesses in matters that include trade secret misappropriation and intellectual property infringement disputes, securities and investment fraud claims, and other contractual and commercial disputes. He has litigated and tried complex bet-the-company cases and other matters in state and federal courts in North Carolina and other states. He also has handled significant matters in the North Carolina Business Court. King is the immediate past chair of the North Carolina Bar Association's Antitrust and Complex Business Disputes Section.

King received his J.D. from the University of North Carolina School of Law and his Bachelor of Arts (summa cum laude) from Wofford College.

Grimes has 14 years of experience trying and litigating complex civil disputes. He focuses his litigation practice on intellectual property matters involving trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. He also litigates commercial matters, business torts and a variety of other civil disputes, including products liability, construction and personal injury claims. Grimes has tried bet-the-company and other high-stakes lawsuits in federal and state courts, including the North Carolina Business Court.

Grimes received his J.D. from Campbell University School of Law and his Bachelor of Science from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Lendino represents clients in disputes involving contracts,

business torts, LLCs and partnerships, unfair competition, securities, trade secrets, and class actions. He also represents life insurers and financial institutions in a wide array of matters, and has significant experience litigating before the North Carolina Business Court. He previously served as a clerk for the Honorable John R. Jolly, Jr. in the North Carolina Business Court.

Lendino received his J.D. (cum laude) from Campbell University School of Law, where he was an Editorial Board member of the Campbell Law Review, and his Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Warren concentrates on commercial litigation in areas that include intellectual property, commercial contracts, securities, and employment. She practices primarily in federal courts and the North Carolina Business Court. She also is active in pro bono activities, which include her volunteer work for Lawyer on the Line and the Council for Children's Rights.

Warren received her J.D. with honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her Bachelor of Arts from Emory University.