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TOP RANKED

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JIM BUXTON

Jim is the founding partner of Buxton & Collie, LLC, where he leads the firm's corporate law and business transactions practice. Jim works regularly with corporate entities on a multitude of matters such as corporate governance, shareholder buy-outs and succession issues, private securities offerings, and business purchase and sale agreements.

Jim received an A.B. in History from Princeton University in 1995 and his J.D. from the University of South Carolina in 2002 where he was awarded the James L. Petigru Award upon graduation. Jim is admitted to practice in Georgia, South Carolina and Virginia. He has served on the South Carolina Bar's Judicial Qualification Commission and currently serves on the council of the South Carolina Bar's Corporate, Banking and Securities Law Section. He is a co-author of the 2018 SC Bar publication, *South Carolina Business Law Handbook: A Practical Guide for Business Owners, Entrepreneurs and Their Counsel*.

Jim is active in the Charleston community, volunteering his time on several boards and foundations. He lives in Mount Pleasant with his wife, Courtney, and their two sons.



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Joshua H. Grabar, principal of the Grabar Law Office, is committed to providing outstanding advocacy, approaching every client with a focus on integrity, trust, and understanding.

Mr. Grabar has extensive experience as counsel in complex commercial and class action litigation in state and federal courts throughout the nation, specializing in antitrust, securities, and consumer protection matters. Mr. Grabar's clients include publicly listed corporations, multinational manufacturers, distributors, municipalities, universities, shareholders, and consumers.

Mr. Grabar has a well-earned reputation for providing smart, sensible, and effective solutions for his clients. Mr. Grabar is peer rated "AV Preeminent" by Martindale-Hubbell, signifying the highest level of professional excellence and ethical standing. He has been honored by his selection in 2017, 2018, and 2019 to Pennsylvania's Super Lawyers, as well as by his selection in 2010 and 2013 to Pennsylvania's Rising Stars by Thompson Reuters.

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Danica is a NC Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law. Some of her accomplishments include:

- 2015 Forbes "Women Leaders in the Law"
- Masters of Accountancy Degree
- Juris Doctorate, Magna Cum Laude
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- Certified Public Accountant (C.P.A.)
- Certified Management Accountant (C.M.A.)
- Certified Financial Manager (C.F.M.)
- 2014-2013 Chair of the Tax Section of the Mecklenburg County Bar
- 2011 President of the Charlotte Women's Bar
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