

## **John J. Korzen**

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### **EDUCATION**

Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC  
J.D., *cum laude*, May 1991  
Carswell Scholar; Executive Editor, Wake Forest Law Review;  
Moot Court Board and Member of Jessup International Moot Court Team

Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC  
B.A., History, *cum laude*, May 1981  
Carswell Scholar; Chair, College Union Film Committee;  
Associate Copy Editor, *Old Gold & Black* newspaper

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Director of Appellate Advocacy Clinic, Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC Teach and supervise 3L students handling appeals in various appellate courts, including the Supreme Court, Fourth Circuit, Seventh Circuit, and Eleventh Circuit; edit numerous appellate briefs; prepare for and supervise oral arguments; coordinate annual trip to Supreme Court	2006-present
Associate Professor of Legal Writing, Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC Courses have included Appellate Advocacy; Professional Responsibility; Business Drafting; Legal Analysis, Writing & Research I & II; and Comparative Litigation and Advocacy (self-created for month-long course taught in Venice, Italy)	2003-present
Adjunct Professor, Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, NC Taught required second-year legal writing course on appellate advocacy	1993-1997
Teacher, Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System, Winston-Salem, NC Taught English, Social Studies, and other subjects in grades 4 through 7	1982-1988
Camp Counselor, Falling Creek Camp for Boys, Tuxedo, NC Taught whitewater canoeing at summer camp in North Carolina mountains	1980-81, 1983

## ONGOING SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Judicial Clerkship Committee, Chair

Moot Court team coach

Coach teams in various external competitions, including National Moot Court Competition sponsored by Bar of City of New York, and Billings, Exum & Frye Competition sponsored by Elon University School of Law. Coached regional champion team in National Moot Court Competition in 2013 and 2014. The 2014 team's brief earned the Runner-Up Best Brief Award in the National Finals. Coached Billings, Exum & Frye Competition team that reached quarterfinals and had best oral advocate out of more than 100 competitors in 2013 and team that finished runner-up in 2015.

Federal Bar Association, Middle District of North Carolina Chapter, President-Elect  
One of ten founding members of Middle District of North Carolina Chapter.

North Carolina General Statutes Commission, Wake Forest representative  
Appointed as law school representative to fourteen-member state commission that revises existing statutes, analyzes possible new statutes, and drafts new statutes.

North Carolina State Bar Board of Legal Specialization Appellate Practice Committee, Member  
Appointed by Supreme Court Justice Robert Edmunds to seven-member committee that designs test and evaluates applicants for Appellate Practice specialization. Created take home portion of exam in 2013-2015. Received Howard L. Gum Service Award.

Chief Justice Joseph Branch Inn of Court, Master and member of Board of Directors

North Carolina Bar Association Appellate Rules Committee, Member

## PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE

Certified Specialist in Appellate Practice by North Carolina State Bar Board of Legal Specialization 2011-present

Anderson Korzen & Associates, P.C., Kernersville, NC 1999-2003  
Shareholder in litigation firm with concentrations in appellate practice, torts, and workers compensation

Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, LLP, Greensboro, NC 1992-1999  
Associate attorney with concentrations in appellate practice, torts, and workers compensation

## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Law Clerk,  
Chief Judge Sam J. Ervin III, United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals 1991-1992

Summer Law Clerk,  
United States District Judge James B. McMillan, Jr., Western District of N.C. 1989

## PUBLICATIONS

“A Supreme Experience,” in *The Middle Ground*, newsletter of the Federal Bar Association, Middle District of North Carolina Chapter (Spring 2014)

“Criminal Appeals to the Fourth Circuit,” in *The Middle Ground*, inaugural newsletter of the Federal Bar Association, Middle District of North Carolina Chapter (Spring 2011)

“Make Your Argument: Succeeding in Moot Court and Mock Trial” (Kaplan 2010)

“Just the Facts: Ten Tips on Writing a Persuasive Statement of Facts,” in *Trial Briefs* (2004), a bi-monthly publication of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, *reprinted in Journal* (2005), a publication of The Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers

*The Fourth Circuit: A Divided Court*, 6 FED. SENT. R. 274 (1994)

Comment, *Changing North Carolina’s Method of Judicial Selection*, 25 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 253 (1990)

## CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS

*A View from the Appellate Bench*, Moderator, Chief Justice Joseph Branch Inn of Court, Winston-Salem, NC, September 2015

*Arguing at the Supreme Court of the United States*, Chief Justice Joseph Branch Inn of Court, Winston-Salem, NC, October 2014

*Principles of State and Federal Appellate Jurisdiction*, North Carolina Bar Association Appellate Practice and Specialization Review, Cary, NC, October 2012

*Fourth Circuit Update*, Federal Public Defender for the Middle District of North Carolina, Seminar on Federal Criminal Practice, Asheville, NC, April 2012

*Criminal Appeals to the Fourth Circuit*, Federal Bar Association, Middle District of North Carolina, Winston-Salem, NC, April 2011

*Persuasive Presentation of Facts and Issue Statements*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Seminar on Appellate Practice, Raleigh, NC, May 2008

*Annual Update on Fourth Circuit Criminal Law Decisions*, Federal Public Defender for the Middle District of North Carolina, Seminar on Federal Criminal Practice, Asheville, NC, March 2008 and each May, 1999-2005

*Fourth Circuit and Supreme Court Update*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Annual Convention, Sunset Beach, NC, June 2007

*Appellate Practice in a Time of Procedural Conservatives*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Seminar on Medical Malpractice, Raleigh, NC, March 2007

*Annual Update on United States Supreme Court and Fourth Circuit Case Law*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Annual Convention, Sunset Beach, NC, June 2006

*Annual Update on State Appellate Decisions - Civil Law*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Annual Convention, Sunset Beach, NC, June 2005

Organizer, Moderator and Presenter at day-long seminar, *The Nuts & Bolts of Appellate Practice*, North Carolina Association of Trial Lawyers Seminar on Appellate Practice, Raleigh, NC, May 2003

*Appellate Practice*, Workers Compensation Section of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, Mountain Magic Fall Convention, Asheville, NC, October 2001

*Annual Update on Fourth Circuit Criminal Law Decisions*, Federal Public Defender for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Greenville, NC, October 1999

### **ADMITTED TO PRACTICE**

North Carolina (all state courts)  
Supreme Court of the United States  
United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit  
United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit  
United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit  
United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Association for Justice  
American Bar Association  
Chief Justice Joseph Branch Inn of Court  
Federal Bar Association  
Forsyth County Bar Association  
North Carolina Advocates for Justice  
North Carolina Bar Association  
North Carolina State Bar