



## Robert Bryan Barnes

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Bryan Barnes practices nationally pro hac vice in the area of product liability defense. He often represents manufacturers of exterior claddings in products liability cases throughout the U.S. He also handles toxic torts, construction, and surety and specialty litigation, both in court and in arbitration proceedings.

Bryan served as law clerk for the Honorable James E. Moore, South Carolina Circuit Judge, now retired Senior Associate Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court. He also served as law clerk for the Honorable Joseph F. Anderson, Jr., of the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina.

Bryan is a frequent speaker at continuing education seminars for lawyers and trade groups. He has contributed written materials on construction law issues for the Mechanic's Lien Bulletin, The Credit Manager's Survival Kit, and various other trade journals.

### Education

- University of South Carolina, J.D., 1986
- Furman University, B.A., 1982, *Phi Beta Kappa*

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### Offices

Columbia, SC

### Areas of Concentration

Bid Protests

Commercial Explosives

Construction

Construction Defect Litigation

Insurance Defense

Litigation

Mass Tort

Mechanics' Liens

Moisture and Mold Intrusion

Personal Injury Defense

Products Liability Defense

### Admissions

South Carolina Bar, 1986

United States District Court, District of South Carolina, 1987

United States Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, 1987

## Memberships

- South Carolina Bar
  - *Construction Law Section*
- Richland County Bar Association
- American Bar Association
  - *Forum Committee on the Construction Industry*
- South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association
- Defense Research Institute
- The Council on Litigation Management

## Publications, Speeches & Seminars

Carolinas Construction & Environmental Claims Seminar, March 1, 2013  
Host, Speaker and Panelist

### **Videos from the program**

**The Economic Loss Rule**

**Using Experts to Resolve Mass Claims**

**Technical Mediation**

**Professional Affidavit Requirements**

American Bar Association CLE on premises liability,  
“Earth, Wind and Fire: Emerging Issues in Coal Ash Litigation”.

## Reported Cases

*Wyndham Vacation Resorts, Inc., et al., v. Ocean Walk Resort Condominium Association, Inc.*, 86 So.3d 592 (2012) District Court of Appeal of Florida, Fifth District. May 4, 2012.

*Archstone v. Tocci Bldg. Corp. of N.J., Inc., Eldorado Stone, LLC et al.* (2012 NY Slip Op 09015)

*Bogart v. Chapell*, 396 F.3d 548, 60 Fed.R.Serv.3d 1033 (4th Cir. 2005)

*Martin Engineering, Inc. v. Lexington County School Dist. One*, 365 S.C. 1, 615 S.E.2d 110, 199 Ed. Law Rep. 963 (2005)

*Richland Lex. Airport District v. American Airlines, Inc.* No. 3:99-1230-17 (D.S.C. Jan 11, 2002) Aff'd no. 02-1455 (4th Cir. March 25, 2003)

*Masterclean, Inc. v. Star Ins. Co.*, 347 S.C. 405, 556 S.E.2d 371 (2001)

*Keeney's Metal Roofing v. Palmieri*, S.C., 548 S.E.2d 900 (Ct. App. 2001)

*In Re: Stucco Litigation*, 175 F.R.D. 210 (E.D.N.C. 1997)

*Lite House v. North River Inc., Co.*, 316 S.C. 326, 450 S.E.2d 63 (SC App. 1994) affirmed as modified, 322 S.C. 26, 471 S.C. 166 (1996)

*Strange v. SCDHPT*, 445 S.E.2d 439 S.C. (1994)

*Hyde v. DMH*, 314 S.C. 207, 442 S.E.2d 582 (1994) (reh. denied)

*Lite House v. J.C. Roy Co., Inc.*, 309 S.C. 50, 419 S.E.2d 817 (SC App. 1992)

*Strange v. SCDHPT*, 307 S.C. 161, 414 S.E.2d 138 (1992)