



BOARD CERTIFIED SPECIALIST NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR

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Greenville Attorney Recognized by NC State Bar for 30 Years of Specialty Certification

GREENVILLE, NC — Greenville attorney Michael A. Colombo was recently recognized for reaching a significant milestone with the North Carolina State Bar: he has been a Board Certified Specialist in Estate Planning and Probate Law for 30 years.

The North Carolina State Bar, an agency of the State of North Carolina, certifies lawyers as specialists in designated practice areas as a service to the public. The Board of Legal Specialization program assists members of the public in the selection of legal counsel by identifying lawyers who have demonstrated special knowledge, skill, and proficiency in certain areas of law. The program also gives lawyers a credible way of making their expertise known to the public and other lawyers.

Colombo's class was the first to achieve certification from the Board of Legal Specialization.

"We are proud of each of our 30 year specialists for obtaining and maintaining the highest level of professional proficiency in their respective specialties for more than three decades," said Alice Mine, executive director of the Board of Legal Specialization. "This focus on a particular area of law demonstrates dedication and commitment to excellence in that practice area."

Colombo was recognized for his achievement at the annual awards luncheon March 10.

To be certified as a board certified specialist in a practice area, a lawyer must be in good standing with the North Carolina State Bar; devote a substantial amount of his or her practice to the specialty; attend specialty specific continuing legal education (CLE) seminars; be favorably evaluated by other lawyers and judges and pass a written examination in the specialty practice area. To maintain certification, a lawyer must meet each of these standards, except the examination, through a rigorous application process, every five years.

About Attorney Mike Colombo

[Mike Colombo](#) received his undergraduate degree in nuclear engineering from N.C. State University and his law degree from the University of South Carolina. Before attending law school, Colombo served as a fighter pilot in the U. S. Air Force.



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About Colombo Kitchin Attorneys

For the past 30 years, Colombo Kitchin Attorneys has provided competent and professional legal services to the citizens of Eastern North Carolina in a wide variety of litigation including Elder Law, Employment Law, Estate Planning and Administration, Family Law, Real Estate and Tax Planning. For more information, visit ck-attorneys.com.

About the Legal Specialization Program

For more information about the North Carolina Legal Specialization program, and to view a list of board certified specialists by practice area, please visit the Legal Specialization website at nclawspecialists.gov, or call the State Bar at 919-828-4620.

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