

# D. Burt Arrington

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### About D. Burt

Burt Arrington uses his experience as a senior in-house legal executive to deliver practical, business-oriented solutions in a legal practice focused on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, securities regulation and corporate finance matters.

He has deep experience counseling boards and management teams on the enterprise's most sensitive strategic matters and capitalizes on well-honed interpersonal skills, as well as extensive training, to solve difficult problems with a calm demeanor.

Burt previously held several senior executive positions (culminating with deputy general counsel) with one of the largest and most acquisitive publicly traded regional banks in the country. In this role, Burt led the issuer's corporate and securities group, with responsibilities that included (i) serving as the lead lawyer for the issuer's bank and non-bank M&A transactions (at a time when the issuer was the most acquisitive bank in the country), (ii) managing all legal aspects of the issuer's SEC reporting, including acting as the managing author of the issuer's proxy statement and (iii) leading the issuer's capital markets issuances and programs.

Burt has served as the founding corporate secretary for a spin-off of a large (Fortune 500) publicly traded insurance company. He was integral in recruiting and founding the issuer's board of directors (with industry-leading diversity), building the Office of the Corporate Secretary and its operational processes, establishing and managing the issuer's corporate governance profile, developing and launching the issuer's shareholder engagement program within months of becoming public, overseeing the issuer's proxy statement and the annual meeting process, and launching the issuer's ESG reporting program. In his capacity as the corporate secretary, Burt acted as a trusted advisor to the issuer's board of directors and C-suite.

Burt has also served as the general counsel of a late-stage, venture-backed fintech/govtech mobility management platform company. As such, he was a member of the C-suite and led the legal function, with oversight of governance and board matters, equity and debt financing activities, litigation, intellectual property, cybersecurity and privacy matters, government contracting and commercial matters, and human resources-related issues.

# **Credentials**

### **Education**

- University of North Carolina School of Law, J.D., 2000
- Davidson College, B.A., 1996

#### **Admissions**

- North Carolina, 2005
- Georgia, 2000
- Not admitted in the District of Columbia; practice directly supervised by principals of the firm admitted in the District of Columbia

# **Expertise**

### **Services**

- Corporate
- Capital Markets

## **About our firm**

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