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Biography

Elizabeth Wieters is a Partner in our Charleston, South Carolina office. She focuses her practice on insurance coverage and construction litigation. Elizabeth represents insurance carriers as their coverage counsel under various lines of insurance. She handles complex matters that implicate coverage defenses. She also represents insurer clients in declaratory judgment actions in state and federal court and defends insurance carriers in coverage litigation. Elizabeth represents general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, owners, sureties, and design professionals in the context of construction litigation. She has been involved in all phases of resolving construction conflicts, from pre-suit payment dispute workouts to multiparty, complex construction defect litigation.

Elizabeth has been practicing law in the Lowcountry over a decade. Prior to joining HBS, she served as law clerk to the Honorable Steven H. John in the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of South Carolina and as an intern to the Honorable David C. Norton in United States District Court for the District of South Carolina.

Originally from Greenville, SC, Elizabeth attended The University of

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the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, where she earned a B.A. in Political Science. She received her J.D. from the Charleston School of Law in 2009. While in law school, she served as the Articles Editor for Federal Courts Law Review and as the Development Editor for MALABU, the Maritime Law Bulletin.

Credentials

Admitted

State Courts:

- South Carolina, 2009
 - Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina

U.S. Courts of Appeals:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

Education

- J.D., Charleston School of Law, 2009
- B.A., Political Science, The University of the South, 2004

Memberships

- Atlanta Surety Claims Association
- Charleston County Bar Association
- DRI
- South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys Association

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Recognition

- [The Best Lawyers in America®](#), Best Lawyers®, 2024-2025
 - Awarded in: Construction Law, Litigation - Insurance
- [Legal Elite](#), Insurance Law; *Charleston Business Magazine*; 2020-2022, 2024

Publications

- [South Carolina Court of Appeals Gives Insurance Company a Reprieve when Complying with a Time-Demand](#)
HBS National Insurance Coverage Blog; July 7, 2023
- [Fourth Circuit Says Lack of Time to Investigate a Claim Can Create an Objectively Reasonable Basis for an Insurer to Refuse a Settlement Demand](#)
HBS National Insurance Coverage Blog; June 28, 2021

In the Press

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August 16, 2024

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August 2, 2024

HBS is proud to announce five Charleston office attorneys were recognized among Charleston Business Magazine's 2024 Legal Elite.

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Charleston **Business** **Magazine** **Honors Twelve** **HBS Attorneys** **as 2023 Legal** **Elite**

August 17, 2023

Hall Booth Smith is proud to announce twelve of its attorneys were selected to be among Charleston Business Magazine's 2023 Legal Elite, the only regional awards program that allows every active attorney to nominate and vote for their peers across 26 categories.

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South Carolina Court of Appeals Gives Insurance Company a Reprieve when Complying with a Time- Demand

July 7, 2023

Recently, the South Carolina Court of Appeals' enforcement of a settlement resulted in favor of an insurer in the case styled O'Conner v. Collier. The court enforced a settlement where the claimant argued that the insurer had not properly complied with the terms of its settlement demand...

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Magazine's **Legal Elite** **2022**

August 1, 2022

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Fourth Circuit **Says Lack of** **Time to** **Investigate a** **Claim Can** **Create an** **Objectively** **Reasonable** **Basis for an**

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Insurer to Refuse a Settlement Demand

June 28, 2021

Written by: Elizabeth Wieters, Esq. In an unpublished per curium opinion styled Columbia Insurance Company v. Christopher Kamil Waymer, et al, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals recently reviewed and affirmed the South Carolina District Court's decision to dismiss a claim for bad faith insurance practices. The Court concluded there was no bad faith under

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Hall Booth Smith Names Ten New Partners

August 1, 2019

ATLANTA – August 1, 2019 – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. is pleased to announce that 10 attorneys have been named Partner as the firm recognizes the talent and dedication of leaders across numerous

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practice groups. The new Partners are: Laura Hall Cartner is member of the firm's aging services and professional liability practice groups. She

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South Carolina Supreme Court Answers Certified Question As To An Insurer's Waiver Of Attorney- Client Privilege In Bad Faith Tort Actio

June 20, 2019

By: Elizabeth Wieters, Esq.
This past week, the South Carolina Supreme Court answered a certified question from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit concerning an insurer's waiver of attorney-client privilege in a bad faith action

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in In re: Mt. Hawley Ins. Co.,
Op. No. 27892 (S.C. Sup. Ct.
filed June 12, 2019)

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Elizabeth Freeman Joins HBS Charleston Office

February 5, 2013

CHARLESTON, SC - - Hall Booth Smith is proud to welcome Elizabeth Freeman as a new associate in the Charleston office. Originally from Greenville, SC, Ms. Freeman attended The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, where she earned a B.A. in Political Science. During undergraduate school, she interned in the Scottish Parliament for the former Minister

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