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## Biography

Katherine R. Heath is an Associate based in our office in Asheville, North Carolina, and represents clients in all parts of North Carolina and South Carolina. She focuses her practice on regulatory, administrative, and litigation matters in health care. Specifically, she works with providers across the Carolinas to address legal issues involving Medicaid Long Term Care eligibility, including handling special proceedings and administrative hearings and appeals. She also counsels clients on financial best practices and state and federal Medicaid policies.

Her experience includes handling a variety of cases involving general and governmental liability, and she has secured successful results for skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, businesses, employers, law enforcement officers and entities, health care professionals, and other licensed professionals.

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Katherine is a proud Demon Deacon, earning her Juris Doctor from Wake Forest University School of Law and her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, *magna cum laude*, from Wake Forest University.

Prior to joining Hall Booth Smith, Katherine was a legal intern at

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the Forsyth County District Attorney's Office, where she tried multiple district court cases to verdict under the supervision of the Forsyth County DA, and she developed her legal writing skills as an intern for the Honorable Valerie J. Zachary of the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

She was also a member of the American Association for Justice Trial Team, winning a national championship in 2017, and she was later named to the Order of the Barristers to recognize her exceptional work in trial advocacy.

## Credentials

### Admitted

State Courts:

- North Carolina
- South Carolina

U.S. District Courts:

- U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

Tribal Courts:

- Cherokee Supreme Court for the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians

## Education

- J.D., Wake Forest University
- B.A., Sociology, *magna cum laude*, Wake Forest University

## Memberships

- 28th Judicial District Bar
- American Society for Healthcare Risk Management, North

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Carolina Chapter

- Harry C. Martin American Inn of Court
- North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys

## Recognition

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, Best Lawyers®, 2024
- National Champion, American Association for Justice, Student Trial Advocacy Competition
- Order of the Barristers National Honors Society for Courtroom Advocacy

## Presentations

- **NC Medicaid and Guardianship: Top 10 Things to Know**  
North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association (NCHCFA), 2024 Convention & Expo; February 19, 2024
- **Dangerous Crossroads Ahead: Strategies for Policing Mass Gatherings and Protests**  
North Carolina Sheriffs' Association, Fall Meeting; November 6, 2023
- **South Carolina Guardianship & Conservatorship: Top 10 Things to Know**  
South Carolina Health Care Association Summer Splash; August 7, 2023
- **Medicaid Redeterminations: Business As Usual**  
Webinar for Members of the North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association, July 2023

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- **Jockey Up and Finish Strong: The Race to Achieve & Protect South Carolina Medicaid Eligibility**  
South Carolina Health Care Association Trade Show, April 2023
- **You Asked for It: Top 10 North Carolina Medicaid**

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## **Reimbursement Concerns**

Webinar for Members of the North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association, October 2020

- **Shared Blame: Comparative Versus Contributory Fault and Application of Recent North Carolina Decisions to Evaluation of Claims**

Webinar for North Carolina Claims Adjusters, January 2021 and March 2021

- **North Carolina Medicaid Reimbursement: Pandemic Updates**

North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association Annual Convention, February 2021

- **North Carolina Medicaid Update: Applications, Appeals, and Authorized Representatives**

North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association Financial Summit, November 2021

- **South Carolina Medicaid Updates: Authorized Representatives, Applications, and Appeals**

South Carolina Health Care Association Winter Conference, December 2021

## **In the Press**

### **34 Hall Booth Smith Lawyers Named to 2024 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America**

August 22, 2023

Hall Booth Smith is pleased to

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announce that 34 lawyers have been included in the 2024 edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America. The award recognizes associates and other lawyers who are earlier in their careers for their outstanding professional excellence in private practice in the United States.

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## Hall Booth Smith Adds Four New Associates as Firm Continues to Grow

December 27, 2018

ATLANTA – Hall Booth Smith, P.C. welcomes four new associates as the firm expands its offices across the Southeast to better serve client needs. Katherine R. Heath is an associate in our office in Asheville, North Carolina, and she handles a wide variety of general liability, governmental liability and product liability matters, as well as

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