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Charles Meeker represents private and public clients, including local governments, in civil trials and administrative hearings.

Before the North Carolina Property Tax Commission, he has represented more than a dozen counties in all kinds of tax cases. He also represents counties before appellate courts.

Charles was elected to his fifth two-year term as mayor of Raleigh in 2009. He was first sworn in as Raleigh's mayor on December 3, 2001. He did not seek what would have been a record-breaking sixth term and left the office of mayor on December 5, 2011. He previously served as a member of the Raleigh City Council for eight years, from 1985 to 1989 and 1991 to 1995.

Friends, law partners, business leaders, fellow elected officials, and neighbors gathered in December 2011 to honor Charles for his service to the City of Raleigh. The event, sponsored by the Downtown Raleigh Alliance and the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, was held in the Raleigh Convention Center. Charles supported the building of a world-class convention center as a priority during the initial days of his first term as mayor and championed the project throughout to its opening on September 5, 2008.

The News & Observer also featured Charles in a front-page story. The article highlighted his first four consecutive terms in office as Raleigh's mayor and described his management style, commitment to public service, and contributions to the city.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Assisted clients with local government issues, including public finance, governmental authority, and ad valorem taxation.
- Represented clients in commercial litigation and construction disputes.
- Assisted clients with document and deposition discovery, pretrial motions, hearings, trials, and appeals to state and federal appellate courts.



RALEIGH OFFICE



PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative Law
Litigation



EDUCATION

Columbia University
JD, 1975
Yale University
BA, 1972



ADMISSIONS

North Carolina, 1975



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HONORS

- *The Best Lawyers in America* "Lawyer of the Year" in Raleigh for Municipal Litigation, 2019
- *The Best Lawyers in America* in Administrative/Regulatory Law, 2007-2020; Government Relations Practice, 2013-2020; Municipal Litigation, 2016-2020; Municipal Law, 2018-2020
- Raleigh Hall of Fame, 2015
- Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau John B. Ross, Jr. Leadership Award, 2012
- *Business North Carolina* magazine's "Legal Elite" in Tax & Estate Planning, 2010
- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ in Municipalities & Counties; Administrative Law; Commercial Litigation; Public Transit