



## Harold L. “Hal” North, Jr.

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With an extensive domestic relations and commercial trial and appellate practice, Hal North focuses primarily on litigation matters. He oftentimes defends clients in high stakes litigation. Individuals, industrial and business clients and municipalities frequently turn to him for his experience in a diverse range of matters. With over four decades of experience, Hal takes a practical and zealous approach to litigation matters. He represents a broad spectrum of clients, including divorce and post-divorce litigation, in addition to municipal and governmental affairs. In addition to his domestic relations and commercial litigation practice, Hal has successfully defended the former mayor of the City of Chattanooga regarding a recall petition, and successfully represented a Chattanooga councilman in an election dispute. With regard to his domestic relations practice, Hal guides his clients through difficult situations involving divorce, custody, and asset distribution. He provides his clients with focused, cost-effective representation. For each matter, Hal listens to his client's desires, offers his advice, and ultimately pursues the path they determine. He is typically accessible whenever his clients need him, no matter the time of day.

## Associations

### Professional

- American Association for Justice
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Directory of Bankruptcy Attorneys
- Tennessee Municipal Attorneys Association

### Bar Associations

## Services

- Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights
- Bankruptcy, Restructuring, and Workouts
- Family Law
- Financial Services
- Litigation and Risk Management
- Municipal Litigation and Representation

## Industries

- Individuals, Families, Estates, and Trusts
- Municipal and Government

## Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Tennessee
- U.S. Court of Appeals District of Columbia
- U.S. Court of Appeals Sixth Circuit
- U.S. District Court District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court Eastern District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court Middle District of Tennessee
- U.S. Supreme Court

- American, Chattanooga, and Tennessee Bar Foundations, Fellow
- Tennessee Bar Association, Special Committee on Foreclosure Procedure, Chairman
- Chattanooga Bar Association, past President
- Chattanooga Bar Association Bar Fellows, past President
- American Bar Association

## Noteworthy

- Tennessee Trial Court Vacancy Commission, Vice Chairman
- Chattanooga Times Free-Press, Best of the Best, People's Choice Award for 2017 and 2018
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights; Bankruptcy: Consumer, 2010, 2012-2013, 2015-2024
- *Best Lawyers in America*, "Chattanooga Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law Lawyer of the Year," 2021
- *Best Lawyers in America*, Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- President's Award, Tennessee Bar Association, 2011
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated
- Avvo 9.7 Rating
- Leadership Chattanooga, 1989 Class
- Outstanding Young Man of America (1989)
- Who's Who Among Rising Young Americans in American Society and Business (1992, 1993)
- Chattanooga Jaycee Distinguished Service Award, finalist
- Phi Delta Phi
- Corporate Counsel, Top Lawyer
- Marquis *Who's Who in America*

## Community

- Rotary Club of Chattanooga, past President
- Rotary District 6780, Assistant District Governor
- Classic 150, Board Member
- Miracle Field of Chattanooga, Board Member
- Montessori Elementary School/Highland Park, Board Member
- Big Brother/Big Sisters of Greater Chattanooga, past President
- Hamilton County Sheriff's Department Civil Service Board, past Chairman
- Greater Chattanooga Area Crimestoppers, Inc., past Chairman
- Hamilton County Republican Party, past Chairman
- Tennessee Republican Party Executive Committee, former member
- Hamilton County Election Commission, former member
- Commission to Revise Tennessee Law on Mental Health and Mental Retardation (Title 33), former member
- Chattanooga Resource Foundation, graduate of Leadership Training Program
- Chattanooga Ball, King, 2021

## Sidebar

Outside the office, Hal is active in the community and serves on various philanthropic boards. He is the former board president of both Rotary Club of Chattanooga and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Chattanooga. Hal has also

## Education

- J.D., The University of Memphis School of Law, 1980
- B.A., The University of Tennessee, with honors, 1977

served as president of the Chattanooga Bar Association and as chairman of the Hamilton County Republican Party.

