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Clients want an attorney who will fight for them, even under the most trying of circumstances. This is why practicing law is far more than a 9-5 job for me. The client's the boss, and I make sure I'm accessible whenever needed.

With an extensive trial and appellate practice, Hal North focuses on corporate litigation involving bankruptcy, creditor's rights, and a variety of construction and commercial disputes. He frequently advises on contracts and violations of agreements, as well as defending clients in high stakes litigation. Debtors and creditors, including banks and credit unions, turn to Hal for counsel under all chapters of the Bankruptcy Code. Industrial and business clients, institutions, and municipalities also turn to him for his experience on a diverse range of cases. With four decades of experience, Hal takes a practical and zealous approach to trial matters. He has taken on entities of all sizes and is not easily intimidated. Hal represents a broad spectrum of clients. He has devoted a substantial portion of his practice to municipal and governmental affairs and represents various municipalities including county governments. He 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. He also is well known for his domestic relations work with families and individuals. He takes their cases very seriously and will guide them through difficult situations involving divorce, custody, and abuse. Hal provides his clients with fair representation and cost effective counsel. He views clients as the final decision maker. For each matter, Hal listens to his client's desires, offers his advice, and ultimately pursues the path they determine. He is accessible whenever they 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, 2015-2022
- *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.

