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Services

Business & Finance

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Emerging Companies

Joint Ventures & Strategic Alliances

Mergers & Acquisitions

Securities

Industries

Health & Life Sciences

Sarah Beth Barnes advises public and private companies on a wide range of corporate issues including mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, financing transactions, corporate and governance issues, and other complex commercial transactions. Sarah Beth has in-depth experience representing companies in the health care industry as well as a range of business sectors including manufacturing, technology, and private equity.

Prior to joining the firm, Sarah Beth was an associate in the Raleigh, North Carolina office of an international law firm in its M&A and Corporation Transactions practice group.

While attending law school, Sarah Beth was a legal extern at SAS Institute, Inc. in its Compliance Group and an extern for the Honorable Stephani W. Humrickhouse in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. During law school, Sarah Beth also served as Comments Editor of the *Campbell Law Review and as member of the Campbell Law Moot Court team*.

Sarah Beth was recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" in 2021 for Mergers and Acquisitions Law and again in 2026 and the four years immediately preceding for Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. She was named a “Legal Elite” in 2024 by *Business North Carolina* magazine for Corporate Law. Sarah Beth was recognized as a North Carolina "Rising Star" in 2027 and the three years immediately preceding for Mergers and Acquistions by *Super Lawyers* magazine.

Education

Campbell University School of Law J.D. (2014) *cum laude*

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill B.A. (2011) Political Science and Sociology

Admissions

North Carolina (2014)

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina

Professional & Community Activities

Wake County Bar Association, Young Lawyers' Division, President

Junior League of Raleigh, Member

Insights

Events

In-House Counsel Summit
September 24, 2026

Perspectives

7 Key Takeaways | Corporate Transactions: Deal Structuring, Governance Documents, and the Impact of AI
December 1, 2025

News Releases

Kilpatrick Elects 2026 Class of Partners
November 11, 2025

Perspectives

Meet the Next Generation of Dealmakers | Sarah Beth Barnes
September 30, 2025

Events

In-House Counsel Summit
September 25, 2025