



#### **PRACTICES**

- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

#### **EDUCATION**

- Harvard University  
LLB, cum laude, 1950
- Syracuse University  
BA, cum laude, 1947

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

- North Carolina, 1956
- New York, 1952

#### **HONORS**

- Fulbright Scholar



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#### **Biography**

Sydnor Thompson began his legal career as an associate in New York City where he assisted John W. Davis in his representation of the State of South Carolina in the case of *Briggs v. Elliot* which was reargued before the United States Supreme Court in 1953.

Judge Thompson joined Parker Poe in 1954 and was a partner in the firm from 1956 until 1994. He was appointed to the North Carolina Court of Appeals by Governor Hunt in 1994 where he served as a judge before returning to Parker Poe. Judge Thompson has been of counsel to the firm since 1995.

Judge Thompson was the recipient of the Bronze Star for his service in the United States Army during World War II. Judge Thompson spent one half of a year at Manchester University and one half of the year at the London School of Economics as a Fulbright Scholar. He also studied at St. Andrews University in Scotland in 1945. While at Harvard University, he was a member of the *Harvard Law Review*.

Judge Thompson has held several leadership positions with various Charlotte civic organizations and Harvard alumni groups. He was the founding chair of the Lawyer Referral Program in Mecklenburg County, sponsored by the Mecklenburg County Bar Association.

#### **Professional & Community Activities**

- Certified Mediator in North Carolina
- Certified Arbitrator in North Carolina
- President, Mecklenburg County Bar Association, 1990-1991
- Master, William H. Bobbitt Inn of Court, 1990-present
- Chairman, Litigation Department, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, 1984-1990

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