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Carol practices in the firm's Business and Litigation sections, focusing in the area of condominium law and complex business torts litigation. In 1994, she completed the Alabama section in Real Estate Transaction Series: Condominium Law and Practice (Matthew Bender) and currently is a member of the Alabama Law Institute Real Estate Section that is studying the Alabama Uniform Condominium Act of 1991. She is a regular lecturer in the areas of condominium and community association law.

Carol served for nine years on the Board of Bar Commissioners of the Alabama State Bar, where she served on the Disciplinary Commission and the MCLE Commission. She currently serves as a Panel Chairman of the Panel of Character and Fitness Committee of the Alabama State Bar and has served as Chairman of the Business Torts and Antitrust Section of the State Bar. She also was elected as Council of the Alabama Law Institute.

Carol served on the Executive Committee of the Birmingham Bar Association in 2000 and is a past president of the Women's Section of the Birmingham Bar. She currently serves as a Trustee of the Bar Aid Trust of the Birmingham Bar. She is also a member of the American Bar Association. Carol is a Fellow of the Alabama Law Foundation and the American Bar Foundation. Carol has served on the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University Advisory Board. Carol was selected as the 2007-2008 Lawyer in Residence at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University. The Lawyer in Residence Program recognizes the accomplishments of Cumberland alumni.

Carol was honored by the Birmingham Bar Association for her public service in 2001 when she was awarded the L. Burton Barnes Award for Public Service. In 2003, Carol received the Volunteer of the Year from Cumberland School of Law and in 2003 Carol received Board Member of the Year award from Hand-in-Paw, an animal assisted therapy organization.

After receiving her J.D., Carol served as a Law Clerk to Chief Judge Sam C. Pointer, Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama.

Besides her grandchildren, Judson, Alice McLean, Mary Raley and Mary Isabel, Carol's passion is dogs. She and her husband, Rusty, have six furry companions and have fostered hundreds of abandoned dogs and puppies from local animal shelters. She has devoted years of service to animal

organizations including serving as president of Hand-in-Paw, an animal assisted therapy organization, and the Greater Birmingham Humane Society. Also, she participated in Big Brothers/Big Sisters over ten years and is a member of The Cathedral Church of the Advent, The Women's Network, a 1999 participant in Leadership Birmingham, and formerly served on the Board of PATHWAYS, an organization that serves homeless women and children. Carol is currently involved in several fundraising and awareness efforts for the Parkinson Association of Alabama, Inc.

Education

J.D. *magna cum laude*, Cumberland School of Law at Samford University
M.S. Forensic Sciences, University of Alabama
B.S. Chemistry, University of North Carolina

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Honors & Awards

- *Best Lawyers In America*, Real Estate Law, Litigation-Real Estate (2007-2014)
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