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Turner Padget continues litigation practice growth with three attorneys

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – Turner Padget Graham & Laney, P.A. announces the continued expansion of its litigation practice with the addition of three attorneys. Ian McVey joins as a Columbia-based of counsel, and Elizabeth Blackwell and Nickisha Woodward as Charleston-based associates. These attorneys bring the number of new hires since January to six lawyers, supporting the firm’s strategic commitment to building its South Carolina offices.

“Ian, Elizabeth and Nickisha are talented and respected litigators in South Carolina, and we are pleased to add them to our growing team,” said R. Wayne Byrd, chief executive officer of Turner Padget. “They are an integral part of the additions that we have already announced this year, as we continue to respond to growing needs from clients for strategic litigation counsel.”

Ian McVey



McVey brings diverse experience, from real estate and banking transactional matters to contract disputes. He counsels lenders, creditors, businesses and individuals in complex litigation matters.

McVey serves in the House of Delegates for the South Carolina Bar, and is a past president of the Richland County Bar. He regularly volunteers with Project HELP, and also serves on the board at the Trinity Learning Center in Columbia. Additionally, McVey has been recognized by his peers with accolades from Super Lawyers and Greenville Business Magazines’ Legal Elite.

McVey earned his undergraduate degree from the University of the South, Sewanee, and his law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

Elizabeth Blackwell

Blackwell brings six years of experience in corporate, banking, creditors’ rights and finance litigation matters. Additionally, she assists clients with changes to state and federal regulations, including compliance with financial regulations as enacted by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB).

Blackwell has been honored as a South Carolina Rising Star by Super Lawyers magazine for the past two years, and is an active member within the South Carolina Women Lawyers Association and the South Carolina Bankruptcy Lawyers Association. Outside of the firm, she is a member of the Junior League of Charleston.

Blackwell earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia, and her law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

Nickisha Woodward

Woodward brings experience in personal injury claims, premises liability and construction defect matters. She began her career as an associate accountant for a Fortune 500 Company, where she acquired the skills needed to successfully balance her business acumen while representing the interests of clients.

Outside of Turner Padget, Woodward is an active member of the South Carolina Bar’s Young Lawyers Division

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and regularly serves as a volunteer and mentor to those who need assistance in low-income communities.

Woodward earned her undergraduate degree from Clemson University, and her law degree from Charleston School of Law.

Turner Padget recently celebrated its 85th anniversary as one of South Carolina's leading law firms, providing straightforward, practical advice to meet clients' legal needs. With offices strategically located in Charleston, Columbia, Florence, Greenville and Myrtle Beach, the firm's attorneys have a deep understanding of South Carolina's laws and what it takes to do business in the Palmetto State. For more information, please visit Turner Padget online at www.turnerpadget.com.

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