

# Cheslie Kryst

## DIVERSITY ADVISOR

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Cheslie Kryst serves as the firm's Diversity Advisor. She previously served as a member of the firm's litigation team where her practice focused on complex civil litigation. During her reign as Miss USA 2019, she continued to use her platform to be an advocate for social justice.



### OFFICE LOCATION

301 S. College St., Suite 2900  
Charlotte, NC 28202

## BIOGRAPHY

She is passionate about criminal justice reform and has worked pro bono for clients serving excessive time for low-level drug offenses. As the firm's Diversity Advisor, Cheslie works to advance and sharpen the Firm's diversity and inclusion development. She works closely with the Diversity and Inclusion Committee in developing initiatives, recruiting efforts, and educating attorneys and staff. She brings a wealth of knowledge and world experience to her new role. As someone with unique insight into the Firm, she is able to help continue its commitment to fostering a culture that is both diverse and inclusive.

Cheslie is not actively practicing law.

## CREDENTIALS

## **EDUCATION**

Wake Forest University, JD

Wake Forest University, MBA

University of South Carolina Honors College, BS, *cum laude*

## **NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Miss USA 2019

National Champion – AAJ Student Trial Advocacy Competition

1L Trial Bar Competition Champion

Division I athlete – track and field

## **PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Board of Directors, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Carolinas

Member, Leadership Charlotte, Class 40

Millennial Advisory Board Member, Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture

Volunteer, Dress for Success Charlotte

Member, Ayscue Professionalism Award Committee, Mecklenburg County Bar