

# Mike Colo

## OF COUNSEL

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Mike has more than 50 years of experience helping a broad spectrum of clients with mergers and acquisitions and other complex business transactions.



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### JURISDICTIONS LICENSED

North Carolina, Virginia

*"I view it as my duty to be a critical member of my clients' teams and to contribute far more to their business than they expect."*

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Mike has extensive expertise in a wide variety of corporate and transactional matters, contract drafting and interpretation, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities regulation and compliance under state and federal laws, municipal law, and utilities' law. In addition, Mike has represented North Carolina's two joint municipal power agencies, North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency and North Carolina Power Agency Number 1, as well as ElectriCities of North Carolina, Inc., a North Carolina joint municipal assistance agency. He has served as the primary attorney for these public power clients, acted as counsel to their Board of Directors and their respective Boards of Commissioners and has extensive involvement with all facets of their operations.

## **AREAS OF FOCUS**

### **BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS & TRANSACTIONS**

- Organization and Financing
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Contract Negotiation and Drafting
- Securities Regulation and Registration
- Initial and Secondary Public Offerings
- Proxy Statements, Solicitations and Contests
- National Securities Exchanges Compliance
- Utilities Regulation
- Municipal Law

## **CREDENTIALS**

### **EDUCATION**

Washington & Lee University School of Law, J.D., 1970

University of North Carolina, B.A., 1967

### **NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® (Mergers and Acquisitions Law) 2014-2017, 2021, 2023-2025; (Corporate Law) 2023-2025

Ranked among Law and Politics magazine's North Carolina "Super Lawyer" (Securities and Corporate Finance), 2006

Recognized in Business North Carolina Magazine's "Legal Elite" (Corporate Law), 2004 and 2005