

Statement in Support of Reelection to third Term as 24<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Bar Councilor  
Steve Robertson

Senator Sam Ervin, who was a member of the North Carolina Bar for 66 years, once said that “if the Creator were to look for a model today for the Garden of Eden, North Carolina would be it.”

Greensboro-based lawyers are three times blessed to be practicing where we do. We are in the Great State of North Carolina; we are in a district where the level of camaraderie, respect for one another, professionalism and courtesy are hallmarks of what we and those who came before us have built; and we get to regulate ourselves through the committee work of the North Carolina State Bar.

Since my good friend Bob Cone, of blessed memory, suggested that I run for his seat in 2016, I have been proud to serve as one of the two Bar Councilors from our district. I have served on the Authorized Practice, Communications, Ethics, and Executive Committees and I now chair the Publications Editorial Board.

Much of the time and effort I have devoted has been on the Ethics Committee. I chaired subcommittees and worked on rewriting the advertising rules; the duties and limits on lawyers seeking discovery from the social network site of an opponent; and the Special Committee to Study ABA Rule Amendments to the Model Rules on Advertising. Most recently, I have joined in the study of the future of the practice of law with a focus on access to justice, and I chair a subcommittee analyzing possible rule changes to sanction acts of racism and sexism, the historical remnants of which still plague our society and profession.

I am 6 years down the learning curve, I understand the institution that is the State Bar, and I ask for the vote of each of my colleagues so that I can serve my third and final term. Thank you.

## **Legal Practice Biography – Steve Robertson**

I was licensed to practice law in North Carolina in 2001 and was in the general practice group at Turner, Enochs & Lloyd, PA, Greensboro, NC until 2002 when I opened my own practice with my good friend Eric Medlin; Robertson & Medlin, PLLC. In 2012, Robertson & Medlin merged with Higgins Benjamin, PLLC where I worked until June 2018. In 2018 I went into solo practice as the Law Office of Stephen E. Robertson, PLLC. I practice under that company name today.

In 2013, I was certified by the North Carolina State Bar as a Family Law Specialist, I was recertified in 2019, and I am in good standing with the State Bar as a Family Law Specialist. In 2015, I was nominated and elected to serve on the North Carolina Bar Association Family Law Council, and I actively served on the Council for a three-year term. I now co-chair the Family Law Council Ethics subcommittee.

Since 2002, I have spent most of my time on litigation matters, I have attended several and various CLEs concentrated in family law and litigation, and I have represented clients in cases in all levels of state court, including the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court. I have also appeared in cases in the United States Middle District; and the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals. In 2020, I started a bankruptcy practice with Board Certified Attorney Jennifer Ledford and I was admitted to practice in the North Carolina Middle District Bankruptcy Court.