

McNeil Chestnut

McNeil Chestnut was a trust banker and private attorney prior to his appointment as General Counsel to the North Carolina Banking Commission by Governor Jim Martin in 1987. Six years later he joined the Attorney General's Office as the senior financial lawyer where he advised the Commissioner of Banks and Attorney General on banking and financial legislation; represented the Office of the Commissioner of Banks in administrative, civil and criminal enforcement matters; authored advisory opinions on banking and credit issues and managed all fiduciary litigation. McNeil was one of the principal draftsman and lobbyist for more than 50 banking bills and the Model Interstate Trust Company Act. He retired from the Office of the Attorney General in 2014, and soon thereafter began his government relations practice representing financial institutions before government agencies and the General Assembly of North Carolina.

McNeil earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Campbell University where, as a visiting professor, he currently teaches fiduciary law and administration in the Master of Trust and Wealth Management (MTWM) Program, a joint degree program in the Schools of Law and Business. He is a member of the North Carolina Bar and admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court.