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Practices

Employment & Labor Law
Business & Commercial Disputes
Alternative Dispute Resolution
International Law and Services
Catastrophic Injury
Litigation
Tax Law

Education

→ University of South Carolina, J.D.
→ University of South Carolina, B.A.

Admissions

→ South Carolina
→ U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
→ U.S. Supreme Court
→ U.S. Tax Court

Victoria L. Eslinger is a litigator who practices in the area of general and business litigation, labor and employment, complex domestic relations matters as well as in the firm's international practice.

Vickie has extensive experience with discrimination, harassment, retaliation, whistleblower, wage and hour, payment of wages, employment contract claims, claims based on non-competition and non-disclosure agreements, as well as drafting executive employment and severance agreements. Vickie's practice also includes complex, high-end domestic matters involving division of assets, asset and business valuations as well as preparing and litigating prenuptial agreements.

Vickie is certified by the South Carolina Bar as a Family Court Mediator.

Vickie has served for a number of years as a member of the faculty of the Harvard University Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Course. She formerly practiced law with O'Melveny & Myers in Paris, France, and is fluent in French, Spanish and Italian.

A frequent lecturer at South Carolina Bar seminars, Vickie has also served on numerous boards of directors of local civic organizations.

The South Carolina Women Lawyer's Association honored her with the 2012 Bissell Award, she was also named as the *2009 Advocate of the Year* by the South Carolina Appleseed Legal Justice Center and the University of

South Carolina School of Law honored her with a Compleat Lawyer Platinum Award in 2004. Vickie received the honor in recognition of her professional and civic accomplishments over 30 years of practice. It is given to USC law graduates who have made "a significant contribution to the legal profession" and exemplify "the highest standard of professional competence, ethics, and integrity."

Vickie also serves as a mentor to incoming students at the University of South Carolina School of Law.

Recognitions

- Martindale-Hubbell "AV" Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* for Employment Law- Management, Family Planning, Labor Law- Management and Litigation- Labor and Employment, Since 2001
- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers* - Labor and Employment Law
- Listed in *South Carolina Super Lawyers®* since 2008 (Employment & Labor, Business Litigation and Family Law)
- USC Compleat Lawyer Platinum Award
- YWCA - TWIN (Tribute to Women and Industry) Award
- "Legal Elite of the Midlands" - International, Family Law
- Jean Galloway Bissell Award - South Carolina Women Lawyers Association, 2012
- Advocate of the Year - awarded by Appleseed Legal Justice Center, 2009

Community & Professional

- South Carolina Association for Justice
- American Association for Justice
- American Law Institute
- Advisory Council of the Center for International Business Education and Research at the University of South Carolina
- South Carolina Bar
- American Bar Association
- SC Women Lawyers Association
- Richland County Bar Association

The University of Georgia Press has published a new book entitled *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times, Volume 3*. The trilogy traces the impact of women, including Nexsen Pruet attorney Vickie Eslinger, on South Carolina from the sixteenth century to present day.

The chapter "Champions of Women's Rights in South Carolina" begins on page 373 and details the work of Eslinger, and four other women, who have devoted much of their lives and careers to the cause of women's rights.

An excerpt:

"... it took the courage of these five South Carolina women to affiliate themselves with the women's movement and take the lead in confronting injustices faced by women in their state. They were active in the movement in state and national organizations. Fighting gender discrimination by the state and the private sector, they sought redress of grievances in the legislature as well as the courts....

Though Vickie Eslinger is one of the youngest of this group of five, it is often said that she launched the modern women's rights movement in South Carolina through her legal battle to gain the right to serve as a page in the state senate (the so-called page suit)."

Learn more about *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times, Volume 3*.

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Vickie Eslinger Honored by Columbia City of Women