

Navigating Arbitration in South Carolina

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It is not uncommon to encounter arbitration clauses in contracts, but do you understand the complexities that come with them? My article, **“Mastering Arbitration: A Practical Guide for Lawyers in South Carolina,”** published in the July 2025 edition of SC Lawyer Magazine, outlines the essential considerations that everyone should know before beginning arbitration.

What You’ll Learn

In the article, I cover critical topics including:

- **Determining arbitrability** – Understanding gateway issues like whether a valid arbitration agreement exists and whether your dispute falls within its scope
- **The role of courts vs. arbitrators** – When courts decide threshold questions and when parties can delegate these decisions to arbitrators
- **Key statutory considerations** – How the South Carolina Uniform Arbitration Act (SCUAA) and Federal Arbitration Act (FAA) impact enforceability
- **Practical guidance** – Real-world insights for navigating the American Arbitration Association (AAA) process

Why This Matters

Arbitration can offer greater efficiency and confidentiality, but navigating it effectively requires an understanding of the procedural nuances that influence arbitrability, the arbitration process itself, and the outcome of your case. Whether you’re drafting an arbitration clause, considering whether to agree to one, or preparing to advocate in an arbitration hearing, this guide provides the foundation you need.

Mastering Arbitration: A Practical Guide for Lawyers in South Carolina

I’m honored to have this piece featured in the South Carolina Bar’s official magazine. You can read the complete article, **“Mastering Arbitration: A Practical Guide for Lawyers in South Carolina,” in SC Lawyer Magazine.**

I hope this serves as a valuable resource for those dealing with arbitration matters. If you have questions, reach out through our [contact form](#), or call our office at 843-577-6726.