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James Atkinson "Chip" Bruorton, IV

James Atkinson "Chip" Bruorton, IV began at Rosen Hagood as a law clerk while earning his J.D. at the University of Tennessee. He returned to the firm after graduation and has since built a practice focused on the areas of construction litigation, employment litigation, commercial business litigation, condemnation, and surety law.

During his time with the firm, Chip has represented private and public owners, architects, contractors, construction managers, subcontractors and bonding companies, as well as both plaintiffs and defendants in construction litigation matters, employment litigation matters, and commercial business litigation matters. He has four times been named to the South Carolina Rising Stars list.*

More specifically, Chip's construction litigation experience includes mechanics liens, payment and performance bond claims, construction defect claims and surety indemnification claims. Chip is involved on behalf of several municipalities in acquiring easements and right of ways and has also acquired experience in personal injury, premise liability, and defamation matters.

He is admitted to practice in both Federal and State Court for the State of South Carolina and is a member of the Charleston County Bar Association, the South Carolina Bar and the American Bar Association. He is actively involved in the American Bar Association's Forum on the Construction Industry and the Carolinas Associated General Contractors (CAGC). He currently serves on the South Carolina Bar Fee Dispute Resolution Committee and the Supplier Council of the CAGC.

Chip was born in Greenville and remained in the Upstate for college, receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in Financial Management from Clemson University. Outside of his law practice, he volunteers his time as a youth sports coach for the Town of Mount Pleasant and with the Charleston Revolution.

Areas of Practice

- [Construction Law and Litigation](#)
- [Administrative and Government Law](#)
- [Business and Commercial Litigation](#)
- [Employment Law](#)

Admitted to Practice

- South Carolina
- U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina

Professional Associations and Memberships

- South Carolina Bar
 - Construction Law Section
 - Fee Dispute Resolution Committee
- American Bar Association
 - Forum on the Construction Industry
- Charleston County Bar Association
- Charleston Contractors Association
- Carolinas Associated General Contractors (CAGC)
 - Supplier Council
- International Society of Primerus Law Firms

Awards & Achievements

- AV Preeminent[®] rating, Martindale-Hubbell
- Selected to the South Carolina Rising Stars list, 2012 - 2016 (Construction Litigation)*[_](#)

- Graduate, Leadership South Carolina, 2012
- Graduate, Leadership Charleston, 2007

Community Involvement & Charitable Support

- Youth Sports Coach, Town of Mt. Pleasant
- Member of Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church

Education

- Clemson University (B.S., Financial Management, 2000)
- University of Tennessee College of Law (J.D., 2003)

