



**A litigator and transactional lawyer for more than 25 years, Will Lewis focuses his practice on the representation of music industry executives, musicians, performing artists, video and concert production companies, music venues, and other commercial entities in the music industry.**

Will engages in virtually all forms of music industry contract negotiations including recording, publishing, production, label ventures, executive compensation, digital, branding and sponsorship agreements, and assists in resolving licensing and other industry-related issues and disputes.

His private practice strength is enhanced by the time he spent as chief legal officer at a 15,000-employee company and its subsidiaries. In that role, Will oversaw the legal aspects of multimillion dollar acquisitions and other transactions, negotiated commercial agreements, assisted with cybersecurity policy development and implementation, and resolved commercial disputes.

Passionate about education, Will was an adjunct professor of entertainment law at The College of Charleston for seven years until re-locating to Atlanta.

Before attending law school, he worked at King World Productions in Los Angeles, followed by a year of teaching at Walworth Barbour American International School in Kfar Shmaryahu, Israel.

Helping his understanding of his clients' needs, Will is a visual artist and a musician, who plays the guitar, piano, saxophone, and sings. He is adventurous in that he is a private pilot and advanced SCUBA diver. He is also an athlete, having completed three Ironman Triathlons and eight marathons, as well as being a former NCAA Division I pitcher for the University of South Carolina Gamecocks baseball team.

## **Professional and Community Involvement**

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### **EDUCATION**

University of South Carolina School of Law, (J.D.), 1995, Order of Wig and Robe

University of South Carolina, (B.A.), history, cum laude, 1991, Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York

South Carolina

Tennessee

### **COURT ADMISSIONS**

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

U.S. Supreme Court

### **LANGUAGES**

English

German

### **INDUSTRIES**

Concerts, Live Events and Theater

Digital Media

Entertainment

Entertainment Labor Law

Film and Television

Board member, Carolina Studios

Member, American Bar Association Forum Committee on Entertainment and Sports

Member, American Bar Association Music and Personal Appearances Committee

Member, International Association of Entertainment Lawyers

Member, The Recording Academy-Nashville Chapter

Member, Tennessee Bar Association

Member, Nashville Bar Association Entertainment Sports and Media Law Committee

Member, New York State Bar Association Entertainment, Arts and Sports Law Section

Former board member, Carolina Film Alliance

Former member, South Carolina Bar Professional Responsibility Committee and Ethics Advisory Committee

**Honors**

Martindale Hubbell, AV Rated

Interactive Entertainment

Media

Music

Production Incentives