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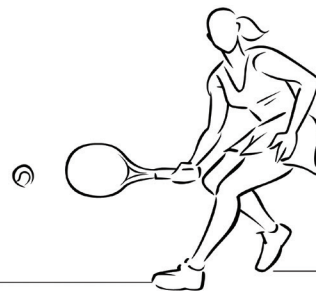
FIRM: Wyrick Robbins, Raleigh

HOMETOWN: Yonkers, New York

UNDERGRAD: UNC Chapel Hill

LAW SCHOOL: Wake Forest School of Law, 1995

PRACTICED LAW: More than 25 years



FAMILY: Husband Woofer Davidian is a Wake County District Court judge; two kids, Pierce and Isabel

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: I prefer "annual aspirations" – things I want to accomplish or do, places I hope to go, people I want to see more, new things to try, etc. For 2024, I "aspire" to relish every minute of the remainder of my son's senior year and my time with him; focus more on my health; improve my tennis and pickleball game; and cheer unabashedly for my Carolina Tar Heels and Dallas Cowboys.

BUCKET LIST: A toss-up between going to Iceland and seeing the Northern Lights and playing Pebble Beach golf course.

LAST SHOW BINGED-WATCHED: "Ted Lasso" – which combined my love of sports, humor and positive messaging.

SPECIAL DISH: My mom is German and her German beef rouladen, which are rolled strips of beef, filled with bacon, onions, mustard and spices, makes me crave them just writing about them.

BEST PROFESSIONAL ADVICE: According to my longtime associate and now partner, this is my best advice:

1. Give back to your profession;
2. Don't take yourself too seriously or be too critical of anyone – especially in family law which is extremely challenging and at times emotionally charged;
3. Before agonizing over something, consider whether it will matter in five years. If not, slow down and keep things in perspective;
4. Exercise the 24-hour rule before reacting;
5. If you want to solve a problem, pick up the phone and call people; and
6. Listen more than you speak; ask questions if you don't understand or can't relate; and as much as possible err on the side of compassion.

ALTERNATIVE CAREER: ESPN sportscaster. Erin Andrews is my idol.