

## LAURA DEDDISH BURTON

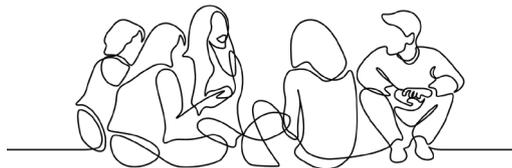
**FIRM:** Fox Rothschild, Greensboro

**HOMETOWN:** Charleston, South Carolina

**UNDERGRAD:** Duke University

**LAW SCHOOL:** University of Virginia, 1997

**PRACTICED LAW:** 26 years



**FAMILY:** Husband, Will, also a partner at Fox Rothschild; daughter Sarah, son Billy

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION:** To keep in closer and more meaningful touch with family and friends.

**2024 WORK-LIFE CHANGE:** Keep on keepin' on.

**GO-TO STRESS RELIEVER:** Reading a good book on our front porch swing.

**BUCKET LIST:** Travel around the Greek islands by sailboat; they are so beautiful in photos, and I've always wanted to see them in person.

**LEGAL WORK MYTH:** Every minute is fast-paced courtroom drama and/or that all lawyers are unscrupulous bad apples.

**FAVORITE LAWYER JOKE:** Why don't sharks bite attorneys? Professional courtesy.

**LAST SHOW BINGE-WATCHED:** "Daisy Jones and the Six"

**SPECIAL DISH:** Lamb tagine – my mother learned how to make it in Morocco, and it was perfect and delicious.

**FAVORITE FICTIONAL LAWYER:** Lt. Cdr. Joanne Galloway (actor Demi Moore), "A Few Good Men." Haven't we all wanted to say, "I strenuously object!" at one time or another? Now it's a family inside joke.

**FAVORITE N.C. HANGOUT:** Blowing Rock

**BBQ - EAST OR WEST?:** Eastern, of course. I do cheat with South Carolina mustard-based from time to time.

**LEGAL INSPIRATION:** Watching my father, a career Navy JAG attorney, while I was growing up inspired me to become an attorney as well. It turns out that private practice is just a little bit different.

**BEST PROFESSIONAL ADVICE:** The importance of "planting the seed" for both professional and business development. You won't see the results immediately, but with time your career will grow strong and be fruitful. This was particularly helpful for me as patience is not my strong suit.

**ALTERNATIVE CAREER:** When I generously provide my thoughts on medical symptoms or diagnoses, my husband points out that I am neither a doctor nor do I play one on TV.

**DEFINE SUCCESS:** To have family and friends you treasure and a career you love. I feel truly fortunate to have achieved this measure of success.