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Earl T. Brown, Esq., a 1969 honor graduate of W. A. Pattillo High School, was born and reared in Princeville by his mother, Anna B. Brown. He has three sisters.

During his high school days in Tarboro, he worked at Marrow Pitt Hardware, Sugar's and Brill's Department Stores, Deluxe Cleaners, and mowing lawns, with summer jobs at car dealerships in Arlington, Va.

He graduated from North Carolina A & T State University with a BS degree. After North Carolina A & T State University he began a career in computer systems design and support with Jefferson Pilot Insurance Company, then UNC-Chapel Hill, North Carolina Mutual Insurance in Durham, and Burroughs Wellcome Pharmaceuticals in Greenville.

After arriving in Greenville, he taught computer programming and flying classes at Pitt Community College, and Operated Martin County Airport, while starting Aero Sales Ltd. (an aviation business). After 19 years of working in the computer industry, Mr. Brown decided to pursue his dream of becoming an attorney. He attended and graduated from Campbell University School of Law.

Currently, Attorney Brown is sworn to practice before the U.S. Supreme and Federal District Courts. He is a Superior Court Certified Mediator and a Court Approved Arbitrator. Attorney Brown also lists among his memberships the Eastern North Carolina Inn of Court, North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, American Bar Association, North Carolina Bar Association; Attorney for Law Enforcement Officers provided through Divisions of Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Inc. ("PBA"), and the Fraternal Order of Police ("FOP") for Beaufort, Pitt, Lenoir and Martin Counties, including the cities of Greenville, Williamston, and Washington.

During his career as an attorney, he has served as the President of the Pitt County Bar Association and as an Assistant District Attorney. Attorney Brown has also served as the chairman of the Judiciary District 3--A Grievance Committee of the North Carolina State Bar; and as a member of the Elizabeth City State University Board of Trustees, Trustee Emeritus of Elizabeth City State University, Charter member of Elizabeth City State University's Board of Visitors, a member of the Historical Murfreesboro Commission, a member of the WEED and SEED Steering Committee of Pitt County; Juvenile Crime Prevention Council; and the Paralegal Advisory Board of Pitt Community College.

Since 1991, Attorney Brown has presented seminars to different legal groups on computerization of law offices. He has served as a member of the planning committee for the ABA's annual Computer Technology Conference. Additionally, Attorney Brown is a motivational counselor in the area schools and is a volunteer mediator for the Eastern Carolina Mediation Center. For his outstanding work in his profession and the community, he has received recognition as a Distinguished Alumnus of both North Carolina A & T State University and Campbell University School of Law.

Attorney Brown is married to Dr. H. J. Brown, a dentist. They have one son, Attorney Derek K. Brown, the managing partner of the Brown Law Firm, P.C.