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## Seven Moore & Van Allen Attorneys Elected Firm Members

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Moore & Van Allen PLLC is pleased to announce that Charlotte attorneys Matthew R. Kain, Luis M. Lluberas, William (Tom) Thomas Parrott, IV, Omari K. Sealy, Todd C. Taylor, and Stacey Ames Vandiford have been elected as the Firm's newest members, effective on January 1.

"On behalf of the Firm's Management Committee, I congratulate each of these accomplished lawyers on their well-deserved achievement," said Moore & Van Allen Chairman [Ernie Reigel](#). "Our 2016 members have worked tirelessly to reach this point, and we celebrate their ongoing successes and look forward to their leadership within the Firm in the years to come."

New Member [Matt Kain](#) represents closely held business owners and other high net-worth individuals and families in the areas of estate planning, trust and estate administration, and tax planning. He assists clients with the development, implementation, and administration of sophisticated wealth transfer techniques that minimize estate, gift, generation-skipping, and/or income taxes. Mr. Kain also provides advice and counsel to clients involved in situations such as judicial and non-judicial modifications of irrevocable trusts, irrevocable trust "decantings," tailored estate planning for non-U.S. citizens and non-resident aliens, insurance planning, charitable planning, premarital planning, and special needs beneficiaries. Additionally, he has extensive experience representing 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations in all aspects of formation, applying for tax-exempt status, and ongoing governance and compliance matters. Mr. Kain is the chair of the Firm's Young Professionals Committee and is active in the Firm's mentoring and recruiting programs, serving as a mentor for junior associates and summer clerks. He serves on the Legislative Committee of the North Carolina Bar Association's Estate Planning and Fiduciary Law Section and is an active member of the Charlotte Estate Planning Council.

New Member [Luis Lluberas](#) advises banks, other financial institutions, corporate entities, and individuals in restructuring matters, both in and out of court. He has diverse experience addressing and, when necessary, litigating issues arising in a wide variety of distressed situations. Such experience includes large corporate chapter 11 proceedings; individual chapter 11 and chapter 13 proceedings; workout transactions involving single lender and syndicated credit facilities; section 363 asset sales; real estate foreclosures; state court receiverships; and transactions involving deeds in lieu of foreclosure. Mr. Lluberas was one of the Turnaround Management Association's 2015 Turnaround of the Year Award recipients and participated in the 36<sup>th</sup> class of Leadership Charlotte. He serves on the board of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America Carolinas Chapter and as a Charlotte Housing Authority volunteer hearing officer, and he is a member of the Firm's Diversity Committee, serving as co-chair of the Lawyers of Color group. He is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute and the Turnaround Management Association.

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New Member Tom Parrott represents financial institutions and borrowers in structuring and documenting a wide range of syndicated, club and single-bank debt finance transactions, both secured and unsecured. His experience includes acquisition financings, restaurant finance (franchisor and franchisee), term and construction loans secured by various types of commercial real estate, asset-based loans and automotive dealer finance. Mr. Parrott belongs to the North Carolina Bankers Association and the Business Law and Real Property sections of the North Carolina Bar Association.

New Member Omari Sealy handles a broad range of general corporate matters, including merger and acquisition transactions, commercial contracts, and corporate finance transactions. Mr. Sealy also assists clients with Hart-Scott-Rodino filings in connection with acquisition transactions. His pro bono work includes helping charitable organizations obtain qualification as 501(c)(3) entities. Mr. Sealy serves on the board of the Carolinas-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council. He was recognized as the Charlotte Chamber Young Professionals' 2015 Young Professional Business Leader of the Year and was named to the Lawyers of Color Inaugural Hot List (Southern Region) in 2013. He also is a member of the Firm's Diversity Committee and serves as co-chair of the Lawyers of Color group.

New Member Todd Taylor practices on the Firm's Commercial & Technology Transactions team and also co-leads the Privacy & Data Security team. He focuses on outsourcing, data privacy and security, technology, and supply chain matters. Mr. Taylor previously served as an in-house attorney at Bank of America, where he worked extensively on various technology licensing, cross-border, and third party servicing arrangements. He frequently speaks on technology, outsourcing, and cybersecurity matters locally and nationally, and is regularly published in national legal publications. Mr. Taylor serves on the board of Theatre Charlotte. He is a graduate of the MCB Leadership School and Mecklenburg County Civic 101 program.

New Member Stacey Vandiford primarily focuses her practice on the representation of financial institutions in connection with the negotiation and documentation of secured and unsecured senior debt and public finance transactions. She also represents corporate clients in connection with secured and unsecured senior debt and public finance transactions. She serves on the Firm's Public Service Committee and is the previous chair of the MCB Young Lawyers Division's Community Service Committee. Ms. Vandiford has received numerous awards for her civic contributions.