STITES & HARBISON PLLC

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Ann H. Murphy is a civil litigator in the firm's Nashville office and a member of the Construction Service Group and Business Litigation Service Group. Her practice focuses on professional liability defense, construction defect litigation, construction contract disputes, and complex business and commercial litigation.

Ann represents clients in all phases of litigation, from early case assessment through trial and appeal. She regularly handles matters involving contract drafting, review, and negotiation, as well as disputes arising from public construction projects and procurement issues. Her experience includes representing owners, contractors, design professionals, and businesses in high-stakes disputes requiring practical judgment and strategic precision. Ann's professional liability experience also includes representing attorneys, accountants, surveyors, and home inspectors.

An experienced trial lawyer, Ann has successfully tried cases before juries and has argued appeals before the Tennessee Court of Appeals. She is known for her thorough preparation, clear advocacy, and ability to navigate complex legal and factual issues efficiently while keeping clients' business objectives at the forefront.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Drafting, Reviewing & Negotiating Construction Contracts
- Construction
- Federal, State & Local Public Construction and Procurement
- Business Litigation
- Litigation & Appeals

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Tennessee

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Deposition Skills: Nashville
  speaker, National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA), September 23-24, 2026
- Mechanics' Liens in Tennessee: Common Mistakes That Can Jeopardize Lien Rights
  Stites & Harbison Client Alert, September 4, 2026
- Stites & Harbison promotes two local attorneys
  by staff reporter, *Williamson Herald*, January 16, 2026 *,with Joseph V. Ronderos Jr.*
- Two Stites & Harbison attorneys promoted
  by editor, *The Nashville Ledger*, January 9, 2026 *,with Joseph V. Ronderos Jr.*
- People on the Move in Nashville: Ann H. Murphy
  by editor, *Nashville Business Journal*, January 5, 2026
- Court of Appeals Bootcamp
  presenter, Tennessee Bar Association, October 8, 2025
- Stites, Baker Donelson, Maynard add attorneys
  by staff writer, *Nashville Post*, July 25, 2022
- Stites & Harbison Welcomes Ann Murphy to the Nashville Office
  by staff writer, *Attorney At Law Magazine*, July 22, 2022

FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Nashville Office Recruiting Committee, Member

MEMBERSHIPS

- Tennessee Bar Association
- Nashville Bar Association
- Lawyers' Association for Women,

    - Community Relations Committee Co-Chair (2019-20 and 2020-21)
- National Association of Women in Construction,
    - Membership Committee (2019-21)
- Tennessee Association of Construction Counsel
- Associated General Contractors

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Nashville Bar Foundation Leadership Forum Class of 2027
- Better Business Bureau (BBB), Middle TN & Southern KY, Board of Directors (2026-present)
- Construction Leadership Council, Board of Directors (2024-present)
- Nashville Rescue Mission, Board of Directors (2020-present); Children's Homework Help Volunteer (2019-20)
- Salemtown Neighbors Neighborhood Association, Vice President (2018-19); Secretary (2020)

EDUCATION

- Belmont University College of Law J.D., 2018
- University of Mississippi B.B.A., Business Management, Emphasis in Human Resources *magna cum laude* 2012

MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Ann is a graduate of Belmont University College of Law. During law school, Ann interned with Chancellor Claudia Bonnyman in the Davidson County Chancery Court and with Judge Frank G. Clement, Jr. in the Tennessee Court of Appeals. A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Ann received her Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Management with an emphasis in Human Resources, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Mississippi in 2012. She and her husband reside in Brentwood with their two children. Prior to joining Stites & Harbison, she was an associate with a mid-sized Nashville law firm.

ACCOLADES

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Ones To Watch, Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Construction (2024-27)
- Nashville's Top 30 Under 30 Honoree (2020)
- Young Leaders Council, Class 73
- Associated General Contractors Construction Leadership Program, Class of 2020