

Rick Bennett is the Co-Founding Partner of Bennett Thrasher. Prior to Rick and Co-Founder Ken Thrasher establishing the firm in 1980, Rick worked in the Atlanta office of Price Waterhouse LLP from 1974 to 1980 as an Audit Senior and Tax Manager. He has extensive experience in mergers, acquisitions, business consulting, and financing, as well as in corporate, partnership, and individual income tax planning.

He has managed tax planning work for clients in a variety of industries, including manufacturing, construction contracting, real estate, mining, heavy construction, equipment sales and leasing, printing, paper manufacturing, advertising, cable television, and wholesale supply. Rick also has experience with succession planning for beverage distributors and has provided consulting work for closely held and family-owned businesses.

In 2018, Rick joined the faculty of The Coles College of Business, where he taught managerial accounting in the MBA program until 2025 and served as Campaign Committee Chair. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Kennesaw State University Foundation as Chairman of the Nominating Committee and as a member of the Executive Committee. Rick also serves on the Board of Directors for the Cobb Community Foundation and has previously served as President of DFK USA, sat on the Boards of Directors for Steer Smart and the Center for Puppetry Arts, and was a member of the Advisory Board for The Shepherd Center.

Rick and his wife Julie have been married for 51 years. They have three children, Taylor, Russell, and Natalie, and six grandchildren, Henrietta, Amelia, William, Charles, Jain, and Fiona.