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General Parts' executives have relied on us to structure business entities, recommend attractive tax planning vehicles, handle acquisitions, expand operations, create and supervise employee benefit plans, such as the Employee Stock Ownership Plan, grow and preserve wealth for its executives and employees, and resolve any legal disputes that arise. From aiding General Parts as it began its enduring support of charities, such as the Special Olympics to facilitating the launch of its Internet/e-commerce strategy, Manning Fulton has been a solid part of General Parts' growth in North Carolina, the US and Canada.