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Related Services

Product Liability

Business & Commercial

Critical Motions / Appeals

Fact Investigations

Discovery / Employee
Depositions

Education

University of Detroit Mercy
School of Law, J.D., 2011

Hillsdale College, B.A.,
Economics, 2007

Court Admissions

Michigan State Courts

U.S. District Court for the
Eastern District of Michigan

Michael A. Ohly *Associate*

Michael A. Ohly is an associate at BSP who specializes in product liability. He has handled high exposure matters and diverse civil litigation. Michael also counsels businesses in liability, corporate governance and contracts.

Representative Matters

- Served as lead counsel for major automotive manufacturer on defense of multi-million-dollar subrogation claims involving fire loss.
- Defended major automotive manufacturer on various product liability claims.
- Drafted motion for summary judgment for defendant to establish a nominal judgment on a \$3 million lawsuit involving a loan.
- Drafted and argued successful summary disposition motion to expunge a deed in a property dispute case.
- Defended employee on non-compete lawsuit from prior employer.
- Obtained favorable settlement for employee in wrongful discharge case.
- Represented employee for wrongful discharge and defeated municipal employer's motion for protective order in federal court to take deposition of municipality's executive and advance claim.
- Recovered half-million-dollar settlement of commissions on behalf of sales agent company and utilized Michigan Sales Commission Act.
- Secured voluntary dismissal for sump pump manufacturer on product liability case.
- Defended contractor on breach of warranty case.

Honors & Awards

- Michigan Super Lawyers, *Rising Star*, 2019

Professional Activities

Christian Legal Association of Southeast Michigan – Volunteer Attorney
State Bar of Michigan, Business Law Section, Member
National Eagle Scout Association, Lifetime Member

Prior Experience

Prior to joining the BSP team, Michael gained experience as an attorney at Erskine Law P.C. where he practiced in product liability and general civil litigation. Additionally, he was a legal representative for the Consumer Defense Clinic and the State Appellate Defenders Office Clinic.

Michael has served indigents through the Oakland County Bar Association Pro Bono Program where he obtained protective orders and judgments of divorce for victims of domestic violence. He also served as a volunteer Intake Attorney with MACC Legal in Detroit.

Michael is a graduate of Hillsdale College where he received his Bachelor of Arts in Economics. While there, Michael was president of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity. He went on to the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law to receive his J.D. in May of 2011. He was the recipient of the Dean's Scholarship and Murray Feldman Scholarship. He received book awards for highest grade in Constitutional Law and Student Appellate Defenders Clinic. He also earned "Best Brief" in the PR Gallagher Moot Court.