

Michael A. Posavetz

MEMBER

Michael Posavetz is a trusted legal advisor and skilled litigator dedicated to protecting his clients' interests in high-stake disputes. In addition to his litigation practice, Michael advises clients on contract negotiations, intellectual property matters, drafting contracts, and guiding start-up companies through regulatory compliance. He provides general business counseling to help organizations navigate complex legal and operational challenges. Michael represents corporations and business owners in complex litigation, focusing on business disputes, construction litigation, mass tort defense, and general liability matters, including insurance coverage litigation. His strategic approach helps clients minimize risk and exposure while achieving their business objectives. Drawing upon years of courtroom experience defending Fortune 500 companies—from deposition practice to motion strategy, settlement negotiations, and trials—Michael ensures his clients receive the utmost representation. He counsels business entities regarding contract negotiations and disputes, shareholder disputes, employment issues, consumer fraud, product liability, trademark infringement, and compliance with state and federal regulations. As former in-house counsel to various organizations, Michael understands the unique pressures his clients face. His ability to anticipate challenges, proactively mitigate liability, and tailor legal strategies that align with his clients' goals makes him a valuable asset to those he represents.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Successfully recovered business owners misappropriated funds, in the six-figures, with a phone call and no need to initiate litigation.
- Resolved dispute for client owed six-figures by customer who was the victim of a cyber-attack.
- Assisted international client disburse funds in US corporate bank accounts to creditors while reducing any potential personal liabilities.
- Resolved, pre-suit, misappropriation of trade secrets dispute for international client without the need for litigation.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- New York Bar Association

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PRACTICE AREAS:

Commercial Litigation

Mass Tort Litigation

Insurance Coverage Litigation

Business Counseling

STATE ADMISSIONS:

New York

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

COURT ADMISSIONS:

U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

EDUCATION:

J.D., Hofstra University School of Law, 2006

B.S., St. John's University, 1999

- New Jersey Bar Association
- American Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- NJ LEEP (Law and Education Empowerment Project), Volunteer, 2022

NEWS AND INSIGHTS

PUBLICATIONS

- "The Impact of the Affordable Care Act on Unrealized Future Benefits and Collateral Source Offsets" – New York State Bar Association, November 2024.
- "New Jersey Appellate Division Reverses Trial Court in Talc Litigation Again" – New Jersey Law Journal, October 2023.
- "Dual Warnings Required in New Jersey Asbestos Litigation," New Jersey Law Journal, August 2022.
- "Manufacturers' Liability After NJ Asbestos Warning Ruling," Law360, August 2022.
- "Can An Employer Be Held Liable If An Employee Contracts Covid-19 At Work?" Manufacturing Outlook Magazine, May 2021.
- "2 NJ Rulings Expand Manufacturer Liability," co-author, Law360, October 2020.
- "NJ Ruling Removes Evidence Hurdle For Asbestos Defendants," Law360, September 2019.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- John's University – Legal Studies Alumni Connection Night – November 2023.
- "New Jersey Asbestos Litigation Cross Claims: What Are They and How Do I Get Them?" presenter, HarrisMartin's New Jersey Asbestos Litigation Conference, June 2022.
- "Whelan Decision Creates Liability for Manufacturers," Manufacturing Talk Radio podcast, February 2021.