

James M. Dworman

Jim Dworman, President of the Firm, concentrates his practice on commercial and real estate litigation (including landlord/tenant and collections), appeals, business and entertainment law. He formerly was law clerk to the Honorable William R. Beasley of the Michigan Court of Appeals.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Successful defense in jury trial of real estate fraud.
- Successful defense in jury trial of fraudulent loan and investment claims.
- Successful prosecution in jury trial of sale of industrial tooling/defense of breach of contract and warranty claims.
- Numerous successful prosecutions of toolmaker and mold builder lien cases.
- Represent landlords of thousands of rental properties (residential, commercial and industrial).
- Represent numerous local and national sports radio and television personalities.



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HONORS & AWARDS

- Selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® for Commercial Litigation in the following editions: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 & 2024.
- Selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® for Litigation - Real Estate in the 2024 edition.
- Named a Leading Lawyer by Law Bulletin Media (2018-2023) in the following areas: Arts, Entertainment & Sports Law and Commercial Litigation.
- Top Rated Lawyer in Commercial Litigation, American Lawyer Media.
- AV-rated, Martindale Hubbell Law Directory. For over 100 years, Martindale Hubbell has published peer review ratings for attorneys. An AV rating is a combination of the Legal Ability Rating ("A" from very high to preeminent) and the General Ethical Standards Rating ("V" very high)
- Listed as one of the "Top Lawyers" by DBusiness magazine
- Received the Pillars of Excellence Award from the Michigan Jewish Sports Foundation at the 33rd Annual Hall of Fame Induction.

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Official, High School Basketball and Football
- Law Columnist, *Referee*, an international sports officiating magazine

EDUCATION

- University of Michigan School of Business Administration, B.B.A.
- University of Michigan Law School, J.D.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Michigan

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Michigan state and federal courts

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Adjunct Professor, Western Michigan University Thomas M. Cooley Law School
- State Bar of Michigan (Business Law and Sports/Entertainment Sections)
- Court-appointed mediator and case evaluator for commercial and complex commercial cases

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law
- Sports Law
- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Real Estate Development
- Construction Law