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Michael's focus in representing a client is to treat the client how he would want to be treated if he was the client. This simple but fundamental approach has molded Michael's distinguished four-decade career as an attorney.

An experienced litigator and trial lawyer, Michael is also a Partner of Berger Singerman's dispute resolution team. In his practice, Michael primarily focuses on handling insurance and a wide variety of complex commercial matters for his diverse range of clients, including lending institutions and real estate developers, as well as both high-profile clients with a national reach and small business owners who are integral members of the local community. Throughout his career, Michael has represented clients before state and federal trial and appellate courts, the Supreme Court of Florida, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

In addition to his work at Berger Singerman, Michael also currently serves as an arbitrator on the American Arbitration Association's National Roster of Arbitrators and Mediators and previously on Florida's Judicial Qualifications Commission.

Throughout his career, Michael has been an integral part of the Florida legal community. He previously served as President of The Florida Bar. He is recognized as a leading lawyer by all of the prestigious legal journals including *Best Lawyers in America* and Chambers USA the latter of which recognizes him as one of only three lawyers in Florida who are listed as Band One and who represent insureds against their insurance companies. Previously, Michael has also been recognized as an Outstanding Member by The Florida Bar, Business Law Section, and he also previously served as Chair of that Section.



Education

J.D., *cum laude*, University of Miami School of Law
B.A., University of Florida

Bar Admissions

Florida
Washington, D.C.
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
U.S. Supreme Court

Practice Teams

Dispute Resolution

Practice Areas

Complex Commercial Litigation
Director/Officer Litigation & Partnership Disputes
Insurance
Intellectual Property
Real Estate Litigation