



# **Michael Lauricella**

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**Business Litigation** 

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## Overview

Mike focuses his practice in the areas of civil, commercial, and chancery litigation in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut state and federal courts. He represents corporate and individual clients through the entire litigation process ranging from assisting clients in resolving disputes prior to the commencement of legal proceedings, at trials (jury and nonjury), and preparing and arguing appeals. Mike's practice includes representing corporate clients in federal court in actions alleging claims for false advertising, trademark infringement and copyright infringement under both federal and state law, including the Lanham Act, New Jersey unfair competition statute, and Consumer Fraud Act. Mike also has experience in the laws governing the workplace and litigates matters involving employment, non-competition and non-disclosure agreements. In addition, Mike represents and counsels clients on issues including shareholder disputes, contract rights, and mortgage foreclosures.

In his practice, Mike enjoys the ability to lead his clients through difficult situations. His clients appreciate Mike's approach, responsiveness to their needs, and his practical advice. Mike works hard on each case focusing on getting his clients the best result possible while keeping in mind the impact that litigation has on a business and his clients' lives. He is always looking to the end goal and how to achieve what's best for his clients in an efficient and effective manner.

Prior to joining the firm, Mike gained experience in the chambers of the Honorable Robert P. Contillo, P.J.Ch. While in law school, Mike served as a judicial extern to the Honorable Adlai S. Hardin, Jr., United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York (Ret.).

## **Representative Experience**

- Obtained dismissal of a Complaint in the Southern District of New York alleging claims under the Racketeer influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.
- Obtained temporary restraints on behalf of an oppressed minority shareholder that ultimately led to a favorable settlement on the client's behalf.
- Represented closely held corporation related to contract dispute arising out of exclusivity clause.
- Obtained dismissal of a construction lien claim in excess of one million dollars through motion practice.
- Achieved favorable resolution to business dispute prior to commencing litigation that allowed the parties to continue working with one another.
- Obtained an order granting summary judgment on behalf of a corporate client in breach of contract dispute.
- Successfully tried a case to conclusion in our client's favor related to his sale of a business.
- Obtained preliminary and permanent injunctive relief on behalf of a corporate client that prevented a competitor from using an infringing trademark.

# Credentials

#### **Education**

- Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, JD, magna cum laude
- Stonehill College, BS, magna cum laude

#### Admissions

- Connecticut
- New Jersey
- New York
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut



## Offices

- Hackensack, NJ
- New York, NY

# **Areas of Focus**

## Practice

- Business Litigation
- Sports & Entertainment
- Trade Secret Protection & Restrictive Covenants

## Industries

• Media, Internet & Advertising

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