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#### **Related Services**

**Appellate** 

**Business and Commercial** 

Class Action

Securities / Finance

#### Education

University of Michigan Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2009

Suffolk University, B.S., Business Administration – Computer Information Systems, *summa cum laude*, 2003

## **Federal Clerkships**

Judge Raymond M. Kethledge, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2009-2010



# Roger P. Meyers Member

Roger P. Meyers leads the firm's complex business and commercial litigation practice and serves as the firm's general counsel. He routinely handles disputes involving business ownership and governance, mergers and acquisitions, commercial contracts, fraud and fiduciary duties, securities, health care, employee mobility and unfair competition, and trade secrets. He also has significant experience in appeals, arbitrations, class actions, and internal investigations, and has tried or arbitrated several disputes to final judgment. In addition to handling major business and governance disputes across industries, Roger has a particularly deep background in the health care, private equity and financial services, and technology / telecommunications industries.

Roger has appeared in federal courts throughout the country, including California, Georgia, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and West Virginia, as well as the Delaware Court of Chancery and in FINRA, AAA, and JAMS arbitrations.

## **Representative Matters**

M&A, Shareholder, and Corporate Governance

- Defended closely held manufacturing business owner in \$100 million alterego / veil-piercing action.
- Defended CEO of closely held financial-services company through trial and appeal in litigation involving claims of shareholder oppression, breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty.
- Represented plaintiff investor through arbitration to final award of complex business dispute on claims for statutory oppression, breach of fiduciary duty, and conversion.
- Defended seller of digital marketing company in post-closing litigation with former investment advisor.
- Counsel for outside management of agricultural products holding company in business torts and governance action.

#### Class Actions

- Trial counsel for auto manufacturer in putative class action alleging fraud and deceptive trade practices relating to brake master cylinders.
- Defended software company in class action for alleged constitutional violations in connection with payment processing.
- Trial counsel for auto manufacturer in putative class action alleging fraud and deceptive trade practices relating to water pumps.
- Defended marketing firm in significant Telephone Consumer Protection Act class action.
- Represented auto manufacturer in putative class action alleging breach of warranty and fraud relating to alleged transmission defect.

### Health Care

- Defended leading health care system and CEO in False Claims Act retaliation action.
- Counsel for national practice management company in arbitration against hospital and litigation against incumbent physician group arising from breach of contract, tortious interference, and defamation.
- Represented HMO in a series of contractual disputes with several physician groups.
- Counsel for major physician group in tortious-interference action involving complex peer review and HIPAA issues.
- Represented plaintiff executive in fraud, embezzlement, and fiduciary-duty action against former partner in home health care company.
- Defended prosthetics and medical equipment company in a multi-million dollar trademark and post-closing adjustment action arising out of divestiture of a line of business.
- Conducted large scale health-care internal investigation involving several dozen physician and staff interviews.

### **Court Admissions**

United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan

United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

Michigan State Courts

# Roger P. Meyers Member (cont.)

 Counsel for plaintiff anesthesia services provider in mass tortious-interference and employee mobility action.

### Telecommunications, Technology and New Media

- Counsel for software company in \$100 million patent, copyright, trade secret, and unfair competition action.
- Represented plaintiff telecommunications company in two-week jury trial and appeal in fraud, fiduciary duty, and partnership dispute.
- Defended telephone company in \$40 million fraud and preference action arising out of tariff dispute.
- Represented plaintiff cloud-services company in partnership and fraud litigation arising out of government contracting.
- Trial and appellate counsel for a high-tech manufacturing portfolio company in a \$4 million royalty dispute involving extensive electronic discovery and an accounting before a special master.
- Represented marketing and business-services company in non-competition, confidentiality, and trade-secret misappropriation action against former executive team.

#### Financial Services

- Regularly represents a major national broker-dealer firm in trade-secret, employee mobility, and customer disputes, including multiple TRO/preliminary injunction proceedings and a five-day FINRA arbitration in 2024.
- Defended investment advisory firm in negligent hiring / oversight action arising out of associated advisor's wrongdoing.
- Defended investment bank against fiduciary duty and other claims asserted by former partner in FINRA arbitration.
- Counsel for private equity firm in \$40 million series of investor securities-fraud actions.
- Regional counsel for two major broker-dealers for FINRA arbitration and financial advisor depositions.
- Defended national broker-dealer in employee mobility litigation involving extensive forensic issues.

#### Other Notable Matters

- Defended leading truck manufacturer in \$80 million supply dispute.
- Represented mining company in \$25 million breach of lease action. involving complex hydrogeology and geology issues.
- Counsel for global manufacturer in real-estate dispute regarding its world headquarters.
- Represented Michigan Senate and House of Representatives in challenges to state election law.
- Counsel for engineering firm in multi-party action involving a complex kickback scheme.
- Defended international importer against franchise, fraud, and other business tort claims.

## **Professional Memberships & Activities**

Law360, Michigan Editorial Advisory Board Member (2024)

American Bar Foundation, Life Fellow

Leading Lawyers, Member (2023)

Detroit Bar Association, Board of Directors

Detroit Bar Association, Secretary-Treasurer

Detroit Bar Association, Judicial Candidate Evaluation Committee Member

American Bar Association, Commercial and Business Litigation Committee, Subcommittee Chair (Past)

Federal Bar Association – E.D. Michigan Chapter, Sustaining Member, Subcommittee Chair (Past)

Oakland County Bar Association, Sustaining Member

Oakland County Bar Foundation, Fellow

Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference, Delegate

State Bar of Michigan - Appellate Practice Section and Litigation Section, Member



## Roger P. Meyers Member (cont.)

#### **Honors & Awards**

- Benchmark Litigation, Future Star (2024)
- Inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America© Ones to Watch: Commercial Litigation (2024)
- Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Leaders in the Law (2023)
- Chambers USA Guide, Litigation: General Commercial (Michigan) Band 3 (2023 - 2024)
- DBusiness Top Lawyers (2023 Present)
- Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Go-To Lawyers for Business Law (2022)
- Detroit Bar Association Foundation Fellows Class (2020)
- Michigan Super Lawyers (2020 present)
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Rising Star (2012-2019)
- America's Top 100 High Stakes Litigators® for Michigan (2018)
- Legal Aid Defender Association, Recognized for Pro Bono Service (2012)
- University of Michigan Law School, Order of the Coif

### **Presentations & Publications**

- "Latest and Greatest ADR Strategies for Success" The Trial Network Corporate Litigation: Never Face the Music Alone Conference, Panelist (2022)
- "Practical Guidance for Litigating in the Oakland County Business Court,"
   Oakland County Bar Association LACHES, March 2022 Issue, co-author
   (2022)
- "Getting Paid Post-COVID: What Are My Rights?" MICPA Forensic Accounting & Valuation Services Conference, Panelist (2021)
- "Affirmative Defenses Demystified: Follow the Rules" Detroit Lawyer Magazine, co-author (2020)
- "Best-Laid Plans: How to Prepare for & Litigate Deals Gone Bad," Oakland County Bar Association LACHES, January 2020 Issue, co-author (2020)
- "Franks v. Franks: The Michigan Court of Appeals Writes a Treatise on Shareholder Oppression" Detroit Lawyer Magazine, co-author (2020)
- "Litigating Commercial Cases in Arbitration" Michigan Defense Trial Counsel, Moderator (2019)
- "Best Laid Plans: How To Prepare For & Litigate Deals Gone Bad" presented to Network of Trial Law Firms (2018)
- "Classroom to Courtroom" hosted by FBA's Diversity Committee, Panelist (2018)
- "New Year New You Master the Meet and Confer" Thomson Reuters Webinar, *Panelist* (2018)
- "Private Equity Litigation: What's the Big Secret?" presented to the American Bar Association Section of Litigation Roundtables Committee, Panelist (2016)
- "Broker-Dealer Litigation" 2016 Annual Survey, Contributor (2016)
- "Broader Fee-Shifting Provisions in Delaware Corporate Bylaws" American Bar Association, Practice Points (2014)
- "One Size Does Not Fit All: Comparing and Contrasting Appeals Among State and Federal Intermediate and High Appellate Courts" presented to the American Bar Association Section of Litigation Roundtables Committee, Program Chair (2014)
- "An Analysis of Federal Rule of Evidence 502 and Its Early Application" Wayne Law Review, Vol. 55:3 (2010)
- "Risky Ventures: The Impact of IRS Health Care Joint Venture Policy" University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform, Vol. 42:2 (2009)



# Roger P. Meyers Member (cont.)

## **Community & Pro-Bono Involvement**

Michigan Science Center, Board Member (2016-Present)
Birmingham Bloomfield Soccer Club, Coach (2012-2013)
Boy Scouts of America, Den Leader (2011-2013)
Birmingham Area Youth Soccer League, Coach (2010-2011)
Birmingham Unitarian Church, Stewardship Committee (2006-2007)
Brookline Garden Condominium Association, Treasurer (2002) and Board of Trustees – Chairman (2003-2004)

## **Prior Experience**

Before joining Bush Seyferth PLLC, Roger was a Partner at Honigman Miller Schwartz & Cohn LLP. He also served as a judicial law clerk for Judge Kethledge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, a founding partner of BSP.

While attending the University of Michigan Law School, Roger was the Articles Editor for the University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform.

Roger came to his legal career with a decade of prior professional experience, including as general manager of a business with nearly \$10 million in annual revenues and as a software consultant in the health care industry.

