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#### **Related Services**

**Business and Commercial** 

Class Actions

Construction Litigation & Counseling

Insurance Litigation

**Product Liability** 

Securities / Finance

Fact Investigations

Alternative Dispute Resolution



# Moheeb H. Murray Member

Moheeb Murray represents clients in complex commercial disputes, tort defense cases, insurance coverage matters, and construction litigation. He leads BSP's insurance coverage and construction litigation practice groups. In commercial litigation matters, his extensive experience includes complex breach of contract and breach of warranty claims, shareholder actions, and cases involving misappropriation of trade secrets and covenants not to compete. In his insurance coverage practice, Moheeb represents leading insurers in life, health, disability, ERISA, long-term care, annuity, P&C, commercial general liability, and auto-insurance no-fault matters.

He advises and represents clients from pre-litigation strategy through final verdict and on appeal. Moheeb has helped clients obtain favorable awards and outcomes at trial and in arbitrations involving claims of breach of contract, breach of warranty, construction, and design-professional malpractice. Moheeb is also a trained civil litigation mediator.

Moheeb received his J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of Michigan Law School. At the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business, Moheeb graduated with high distinction, concentrating his studies on finance and accounting. He brings his knowledge in those disciplines to his practice.

### **Representative Matters**

- Michigan statewide counsel for leading national do-it-yourself moving and vehicle-rental company for insurance coverage, tort liability, and commercial litigation matters.
- Counsel for automotive original equipment manufacturers against suppliers and vendors in supply-chain, warranty, and indemnity disputes.
- Lead counsel and also Michigan counsel working with national counsel for several leading life insurance and annuity companies in interpleader cases.
- Lead counsel for national insurance company in defense of accidentaldeath claims.
- Trial counsel for national insurance company in claim against exclusive agent for wrongful solicitation of clients and misappropriation of trade secrets.
- Trial and appellate counsel for national insurance company in defense of agent claim that agency was terminated based on illegal redlining.
- Counsel for leading national homebuilder in class actions and mass actions alleging construction defects.
- Co-counsel for a leading automotive manufacturer in obtaining denial of certification of putative nationwide consumer class action alleging claims relating to performance of telematics equipment.
- Counsel for real estate developer in obtaining rescission of \$17.5 million development contract based on misrepresentations by opposing contracting party.
- Lead counsel in complex multimillion-dollar shareholder dispute involving claims of oppression breach of fiduciary duty, misappropriation of trade secrets, and injunctive relief.
- Lead counsel for major distributor of recreational vehicle equipment in defense of allegations of misappropriation of trade secrets, unfair trade practices, and tortious interference with contract.
- Successfully defend no-fault insurer against excessive and unreasonable claims for PIP and other benefits.
- Defended and pursued recovery against claimants pursuing fraudulent insurance claims, including obtaining substantial monetary awards and declaratory relief against fraudsters.

#### Education

University of Michigan Law School J.D., *cum laude*, 2001

University of Michigan Ross School of Business B.B.A., with *high distinction*, 1997

- James B. Angell Scholar
- William J. Branstrom
   Freshman Prize for academic
   excellence

Civil Litigation Mediation Training

Harvard Professional Development Programs, Harvard Division of Continuing Education, Participant, Strategic Leadership

September 28-29, 2016

#### **Court Admissions**

United States Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals

United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan

Michigan State Courts

## Moheeb H. Murray Member (cont.)

 Obtained dismissal of an action for vicarious owner's liability and negligent entrustment on behalf of a consumer leasing equipment company.

### **Professional Memberships & Activities**

American Arab Chamber of Commerce, *Professionals Committee*American Bar Association, *Tort Trial and Insurance Practice and Litigation*Sections, and Forum on Construction Law

Defense Research Institute, Life, Health, Disability Membership Subcommittee Co-Chair, Commercial Litigation and Construction Law Committees, and Former Editor of Life, Health, and Disability Newsletter

Eastern District of Michigan Bar Association, Complex Commercial Litigation Committee, and Sustaining Member

Leadership Oakland Class LOXXVI, Member

Leading Lawyers, Member, 2017-present

Michigan Muslim Bar Association, Former Vice President

Michigan State Bar Foundation, Fellow

National Arab American Bar Association Michigan Chapter, Member

National Association of Minority & Women Owned Law Firms, *Insurance PAC Member and Chair* (2009-2022)

Oakland County Bar Association, Board of Directors

Oakland County Bar Association, Membership Committee Former Co-Chair,

Business Court and Counsel Committee, Former Co-Chair

Oakland County Bar Foundation, Fellow

Ross School of Business Club of Southeast Michigan, Life Member

State Bar of Michigan, Insurance Law and Litigation Sections, Former Member of the Professionalism & Civility Committee

The Trial Network 2023 Program Review Committee, Member

#### **Honors & Awards**

Chambers USA Guide, Insurance (Michigan) Band 1 (2024)

Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Go-To Lawyers Power List (2023)

DBusiness Top Lawyers (2024 - present)

Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Go-To Lawyers for Business Law (2023)

Oakland County Bar Association Committee of the Year Award (2023)

Best Lawyers® Lawyer of the Year, *Insurance Law* (Troy, MI: 2023)

DRI Lifetime Community Service Award (2019)

Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*©: Insurance Law (2018 – present)

Oakland County Bar Association Distinguished Service Award (2017)

Oakland County Executive's Elite 40 Under 40 (2015)

Michigan Super Lawyers, Rising Star (2011-2015)

Michigan Super Lawyers, Top 100 (2023 – present)

Michigan Super Lawyers (2018 – present)

Michigan Lawyers Weekly, Leader in the Law (2014)

American Arab Professional of the Year Award in the Legal Category (2013)
Martindale Hubbel® AV Peer Review Rating

### **Presentations & Publications**

- "Discovery Issues and Strategies," DRI Boot Camp for New Life, Health, and Disability Lawyers, Speaker (July 2024)
- "The New Normal for Juries? Safetyism, Emotional Thinking, and High Damages," Trial Network Litigation Sun, Surf, and Strategies, Moderator (May 2024)
- "Well, That's Settled...Or Is It?" DRI For the Defense (January 2024)
- "Non-Competes: What's New and What's Next?" The Trial Network Napa Litigation SuperCourse, Discussion Leader (November 2023)



## Moheeb H. Murray Member (cont.)

- "Well, That's Settled! ... (Or is it?)," presented to Trial Network Lakeside Litigation SuperCourse (April 2023)
- "Life, Health, Disability and ERISA Breakout Sessions" to DRI Life, Health, Disability, and ERISA Seminar, Moderator (April 2023)
- "Foreign Death Claims," presented to Eastern Claims Conference (March 2023)
- "Long COVID: The Pandemic's Lasting Effects on Supply Chain Litigation," presented to PLAC Fall Conference (October 2022)
- "Transitioning from Words to Action: Practical Steps for Moving Your Firm's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Efforts in the Right Direction," presented to NAMWOLF Annual Meeting CLE (September 2022)
- "Health Insurance Law Update," presented to DRI Life, Health, Disability, and ERISA Seminar (May 2022)
- "Long COVID: The Pandemic's Lasting Effects on Supply Chain Litigation," presented to Trial Network Litigation Lessons Under the Sonoran Sky (April 2022)
- "STOLI and the Lapse and Rescission Issues," presented to Eastern Claims Conference (March 2022)
- "Rule Interpleader: A Developing Federal Circuit Split on Diversity?"
   Oakland County Bar Association LACHES (June 2021)
- "Case Law Update" presented to DRI Construction Law Virtual Seminar (April 2021)
- "COVID-19: A Coming Wave of Life-Insurance Litigation?" DRI, The Voice, Volume 19, Issue 46, co-author (Nov. 2020)
- "A Developing Circuit Split on Diversity in Rule Interpleader" DRI Life, Health and Disability News, Volume 31, Issue 2, co-author (July 2020)
- "Excuse Me: When Force Majeure Or Commercial Impracticability Excuses Contractual Performance" presented to PLAC COVID-19 Webinar Series (July 2020)
- "A Brief Survey of Recent Accidental-Death Insurance Cases" DRI Life, Health and Disability News, Volume 30, Issue 4, co-author (Dec. 2019)
- "Amendments to Michigan No-Fault Act and Michigan Discovery Rules" CLE presentation for in-house counsel and insurance adjusters (Nov. 2019)
- "When a Ruling Goes Wrong: Should We Settle, Proceed to Trial, or Seek Interlocutory Review?" The Network of Trial Law Firms, Litigation Management in a New York Minute, roundtable discussion (August 2019)
- "The Importance of Avoiding Equivocal Denials in Claims Processing," DRI Life, Health, and Disability News, Volume 30, Issue 2, co-author (May 2019)
- "Liens Rights for Pre-Construction Services Providers Continue to Expand" ABA Forum on Construction, Division 7 Newsletter, co-author (April 2019)
- "Top 10 Ways to Reduce Risk at Trial & Verdict Vigilance" CLE presentation for in-house counsel and insurance adjusters (Oct. 2018)
- "As Universal Life Insurance Premiums Increase, So Does Class Action Litigation" DRI For the Defense (Aug. 2018)
- "Updates & Trends in Investigative Techniques Using Advanced Technology" presented to NAMWOLF Insurance PAC CLE (June 2017)
- "Life Insurance Update" presented to DRI Life, Health, Disability & ERISA Seminar (April 2017)
- Attorney-Client Privilege, Investigative Techniques, & Michigan No-Fault, CLE presentation for in-house counsel and insurance adjusters (Jan. 2017)
- "Insurance Confidential: Considerations for Preserving Attorney-Client Privilege and Work-Product Protection in Insurance Cases" presented to NAMWOLF Business Meeting (Feb. 2016)
- "Michigan No Fault: Personal Injury Protection" CLE presentation for inhouse counsel and insurance adjusters (Jan. 2016)
- "Law & Order: Special Investigative Unit" presented to NAMWOLF Annual Meeting (Sept. 2015)
- "The Rise and Fall of the Reasonable Expectations Doctrine in Michigan"
   The Journal of Insurance and Indemnity Law (July 2014)



## Moheeb H. Murray Member (cont.)

- Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Martin Luther King Day Diversity Panel Speaker (2014)
- Oakland County Bar Association Law Practice and Management Seminar (2012, 2013, 2014)
- "Can the UCC's Provision Protecting Check Writers from Fraud Also Protect Them from Ponzi Schemes?" *Michigan Bar Journal*
- "RAA Rage" Michigan Lawyers Weekly
- "Life Insurance Hot Topics and Case-law Updates: Retained Asset Accounts, Post-Claim Underwriting, and Accidental-Death-and-Dismemberment Policies" presented to NAMWOLF CLE Seminar (Sept. 2012)
- "Contracts: A Case Study" presented to Michigan Association of CPAs
- "Litigation Trends in Insurance and Reinsurance" presented to Michigan Association of CPAs
- "Key Issues to Consider When Litigating Life, Health, and Disability Actions to Maximize Recoveries and Outcomes" NAMWOLF Annual Meeting (Sept. 2013). Moderator
- "Evidentiary Issues Facing Insurers Seeking Interpleader" DRI For The Defense (Dec. 2013)

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

Moheeb serves on the board of directors of Zaman International, which provides food, clothing, services and vocational training for marginalized in Southeast Michigan.

He was also a long-time board member of public-policy research organization, The Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, which focuses on social issues of interest to the American Muslim community.

