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Profile

Michael is a seasoned litigator and former federal prosecutor with extensive experience handling complex criminal and civil matters. He has tried jury and non-jury cases, defended clients accused of False Claims Act violations, represented clients at arbitration and mediation, and argued before appellate courts.

As an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Northern District of New York for more than a decade, Michael led high-profile investigations and prosecutions involving financial fraud, government program fraud (including Paycheck Protection Program and other COVID fraud), public corruption, health care fraud, the False Claims Act, tax offenses, drug diversion by medical professionals and national security violations.

Michael was also a Public Information Officer for the U.S. Attorney's Office, advising on media strategy and serving as spokesperson to local, national and foreign news outlets.

Prior to his government service, Michael practiced at Loeb & Loeb LLP in New York City, where he handled trial and appellate litigation in areas such as business disputes, copyright and trusts and estates.

Michael is Assistant Treasurer of the Federal Court Bar Association for the Northern District of New York, where he is also co-editor of the quarterly newsletter.

Honors and Affiliations

- NDNY Federal Court Bar Association: Trustee (2022-2025), Assistant Treasurer (Present)

Education

- Columbia Law School (J.D. 2010)
- The George Washington University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2006)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Practices

- Litigation