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Education

Wayne State University Law School
Detroit, Michigan
J.D., *magna cum laude*, *Order of the Coif*, 1996
The Wayne Law Review, Assistant Editor and Associate Editor, 1994-1996
Lederle Scholar, Dean's Scholar

Grand Valley State University
Allendale, Michigan
B.A., English, 1992

Legal Employment

Varnum
Grand Rapids, Michigan 1996
Partner

Admitted to Practice:
United States Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit
United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit
United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
Michigan Supreme Court

Practice Areas

Probate litigation, complex commercial litigation, including commercial/business, probate and alternative dispute resolution; E-discovery, including advising clients on best practices for clients in preserving and producing electronically stored information; E-commerce, including advising clients on issues related to network breaches and potential liability for site-launched attacks

Professional Affiliations

American Bar Association (Litigation Section)
State Bar of Michigan (Litigation Section)

Richard A. Samdal

Community Involvement

Legacy Christian School (Board)

Grand Rapids Jaycees (Counsel to Board of Directors)

Crystal Springs Country Club (Board Member)

Forest Hills Eastern Middle School, Ada, Michigan (Career Day Presenter, 2007)

Mona Shores Junior High School, Muskegon, Michigan (Career Day Presenter, 1996 - 2004)

Muskegon County Junior High Schools, Muskegon, Michigan (Career Day Presenter, 1998)

Junior Achievement (Class Advisor, 1998 - 2000)

Team Sponsor/Volunteer, Kentwood Baseball League

Presentations

"Advanced at the Speed of Light" - Technology use in litigation (Panelist)

"Computer Fraud - Panel of Experts" - How to combat computer fraud in E-business (Panelist)

"Developments in E-Discovery" – A summary of procedural and substantive law