

# SCOTT J. HILL

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**Education**  
Wayne State University Law School  
Detroit, Michigan  
J.D., 2003  
Survey Editor, *The Wayne Law Review*  
Dean's Scholar

Alma College  
Alma, Michigan  
B.S., *magna cum laude*, 2000  
Double Major: Chemistry/Business

## **Legal Employment**

Varnum  
Grand Rapids, Michigan 2003  
Partner

Admitted to Practice:  
United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan  
All Michigan state courts

## **Practice Areas**

Business representation, including transactions, planning and counseling. Focus on acquisitions, sales, mergers, private equity, succession planning, financing and joint ventures on a variety of levels.

## **Professional Affiliations**

State Bar of Michigan (Business Law Section; Public Corporation Law Section)  
Grand Rapids Bar Association

## **Community Involvement**

Better Business Bureau of Western Michigan (Board Member, 2011 – present)  
Association for Corporate Growth Western Michigan (ACG) Cup 2011 (Judge)  
Economic Club of Grand Rapids (Member 2009 – present)  
Alma College West Michigan Roundtable (Chair, 2008 – present)

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## Publications and Presentations

"New Federal Anti-Spam Legislation is in Effect," *Grand Rapids Business Journal*, April 12, 2004.

"Proceed With Caution," *MSAE Association News*, July/August 2004.

Restructuring the Law: Proposing a New Section of Title 35 and the Effect of *Amazon.com v Barnesandnoble.com* on Business Method Patents, 48 *Wayne L. Rev.* 1239 (2002).

Panelist for "Exit Strategies: Guiding the Family Business Through a Critical Transition" (May 2010).

Speaker for "Pure Michigan Connect – The West Michigan Event" (August 2011).

## Representative Matters

Acquisition of assets of automotive supplier (\$54 million).

Asset sale in the cosmetic services industry to a private equity fund including equity rollover consideration (\$225 million).

Merger transaction involving the consolidation of multiple automotive suppliers and subsequent sale transaction to a private equity fund including equity rollover considerations (\$415 million).

Construction financing and recapitalization for a medical office building (\$22 million).

Sale of a chain of 33 gas station and convenience stores to a private equity fund (\$31 million).

Infrastructure financing, construction contracts, and development agreements on behalf of developers.

Drafting and negotiation of subcontracts on behalf of contractors and subcontractors.

Joint venture transaction combining automotive body panels company with a tooling design and build company to offer an integrated solution for engineering, tooling, stamping and assembly.

Several sale, acquisition and joint venture transactions involving medical practices.

Counseling for 1031 exchange transactions, including tenancy in common transactions, reverse exchange transactions and construction exchange transactions.

Multiple sale and acquisition transactions involving food processing companies.

Sale of multiple distressed automotive suppliers.

Numerous other sale and acquisition transactions (both stock and asset deals) involving manufacturing companies, including cross border considerations.

Supply side and customer side terms and conditions analysis.

Representation of a number of non-profit companies for an extended period of time.

Numerous joint venture transactions involving automotive, manufacturing, health care and alternative energy businesses.