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Focus Areas

Litigation and Trials
Appellate

Overview

Michael J. LaCourse focuses his practice on labor and employment matters.

Prior to joining Littler, he clerked for the Hon. Lanny King, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, where he gained valuable experience in federal court. Michael has experience with a Lexington firm as an associate in its Torts and Insurance as well as its Business Litigation practice groups. He handled discovery, took and defended depositions, drafted and argued dispositive motions in a variety of civil litigation cases. Previously, he worked for an insurance defense firm, where took and defended depositions, handled discovery, drafted and argued successful dispositive motions, drafted appellate briefs, and drafted coverage opinions. The matters Michael covered included insurance defense tort cases, bad faith litigation, and insurance coverage issues. He also obtained as the sole litigator a favorable verdict on behalf of a major national insurance company in a small claims trial.

After graduating from law school, Michael clerked for the Hon. Paul F. Isaacs, who at the time was the Chief Circuit Judge for Kentucky's 14th Circuit. There, he was able to gain experience in all areas of civil and criminal litigation in Kentucky's highest level trial court.

Professional and Community Affiliations

- Associate, Central Kentucky American Inn of Court, 2017-2020
- Member, Central Kentucky Lawyers Chapter, Federalist Society, 2017-2019, 2021-present
- Member, Lexington Young Professionals Association

Recognition

- Named, Ones to Watch, *The Best Lawyers in America®*, 2023-2024
- Provost Fellowship, *University of Kentucky College of Law*
- Trial Advocacy Board Member, *University of Kentucky College of Law*
- Recipient, University of Kentucky College of Law Pro Bono Award
- Recipient, Presidential Scholarship, *Gettysburg College*
- Dean's Honor List, *Gettysburg College*
- Pi Lambda Sigma, Pre-Legal & Business Honor Society for Economics, Management, and Political Science, *Gettysburg College*
- Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honorary Society, *Gettysburg College*

Education

J.D., University of Kentucky College of Law, 2015
B.A., Gettysburg College, 2012

Bar Admissions

Kentucky

Courts

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky
U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky