

**Bureau of Employment Relations**  
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Attorney

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**Experience:**

Associated with Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith upon graduation from law school in 1976. Promoted to partner of firm in 1982. Practice was substantially devoted to employment law, including representation of employers, labor organizations, and individual employees. In 1988, began own law firm with practice limited to employment law matters. Experience before all levels of state court, National Labor Relations Board, Michigan Employment Relations Commission, Michigan Employment Security Commission, Department of Labor, Civil Service, and have acted as arbitrator in numerous cases since 1986. Currently represent both employer & labor organizations on employment matters requiring legal assistance.

**Education:**

J.D. Notre Dame Law School, 1976; B.A. University of Notre Dame, 1973.

**Advocacy:**

Major labor client is Michigan Education Association. Management clients include banks, hospitals, retail chains, light & heavy industry and professional corporations in the private sector. 80%

**Professional Organizations:**

State Bar of Michigan (Judicial Qualifications Committee); Michigan State Bar Foundation (Fellow); American Lung Association of Michigan (Board of Directors); Capitol Area Humane Society (Board of Directors).

**Charges:**

PER DIEM: \$700.00, plus travel expenses.

CANCEL: \$100 cancellation/postponement; 15-30 days notice \$50; less than 14 days = full per diem

OTHER: Expenses for transportation, hotel, meals, actual.