

**Bureau of Employment Relations**  
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Buratto, Raymond  
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**Experience:**

Currently sole practitioner specializing in private sector labor relations. Former associate and partner in the law firm of Matheson, Bieneman, Parr, Schuler, & Ewald, Bloomfield Hills, 1983-86. Former Vice President of Industrial Relations, Interstate System, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1978-83. Experience as an advocate in over 200 labor arbitration cases and MESC hearings. Panel Member of the Michigan Joint State Cartage and Over-the-Road Arbitration Committee, a bi-partite panel empowered to arbitrate grievances arising under the National Master Freight Agreement. Chief spokesman in individual and multi-employer bargaining.

**Education:**

JD, Wayne State University Law School, 1978; Masters of Labor & Industrial Relations, MSU, 1975; BA, MSU, 1974.

**Advocacy:**

95% of time spent representing single employers and multi employer associations in collective bargaining in private sector.

**Professional Organizations:**

State Bar of Michigan, Labor Relations Law Section, National Trucking Industrial Relations Association; IRRA, National and Detroit Chapter; Rochester Bar Association

**Charges:**

PER DIEM: \$450.00, plus travel and expenses

CANCEL: \$350.00, if notified up to 48 hours prior to hearing; Full day rate if less than 24 hours notice.

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