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Mr. Dupes represents clients involved in complex commercial litigation and environmental law matters. He is the Co-Chair of Bodman's Environmental Practice Group.

In addition to representing clients involved in environmental litigation, he counsels clients on a wide variety of other issues, including permitting, regulatory compliance, and environmental risk arising from real estate transactions. He has particular expertise in chemical regulatory law and regularly advises clients on the Toxic Substances Control Act, the Controlled Substances Act, REACH, and other related statutes and regulations.

Mr. Dupes has also been involved in some of the firm's largest and most complex litigation matters. He has successfully represented clients nationally and internationally in both court and arbitration proceedings, in a wide range of industries, including automotive, IT, health care, energy, manufacturing, and sports entertainment. He has particular expertise in litigation matters involving supply and distribution relationships.

He frequently represents municipal clients in environmental matters and related litigation and counsels municipal boards and planning commissions on environmental compliance. He has represented both property owners and municipal governments in tax appeals before the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

Mr. Dupes is very active in bar activities and non-profit and community-service organizations. He currently serves on the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation's board of trustees. He is also a past Executive Board Member of the Eastern District of Michigan Bar

practices & industries

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Environmental Law

Automotive and Industrial

Municipal Law and Government Relations

education

Wayne State University Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif

University of Michigan, B.A., with *Highest Distinction*

admissions

Michigan

Association, the past Vice President and Treasurer of the Great Lakes Environmental Law Center, and the past Vice President of the Grosse Pointe Newcomers Club.

Mr. Dupes is listed as a "Future Star" and as a member of the "40 & Under Hot List" in *Benchmark Litigation*. He is listed as a 2026 "Top Lawyer" in Environmental Law by *DBusiness* Magazine, in *Michigan Super Lawyers 2026* under Business Litigation, and in *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch 2023* under Commercial Litigation.

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HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

- Michigan Lawyer's Go-To Lawyer for Business Litigation, 2025
- Benchmark Litigation "Future Star" 2017-2025,
- Benchmark Litigation "40 & Under Hot List" 2017-2024,
- DBusiness Magazine "Top Lawyers" 2018-2027, Environmental Law
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Business Litigation 2015-2026
- Michigan Rising Stars, Business Litigation 2018-2024
- The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch 2021-2023, Commercial Litigation

CIVIC, CULTURAL, AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation, Board of Trustees
- Eastern District of Michigan Bar Association, past Executive Board Member
  - Environmental Committee, Co-Chair
- Great Lakes Environmental Law Center, past Vice President and Treasurer
- Grosse Pointe Newcomers Club, past Vice President

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author (with Erica Sarver) "New USEPA Rules Under the Toxic Substances Control Act Ban Many Uses of TCE and PCE," Bodman Update (December 11, 2024)
- Co-Author (with Erica Sarver) "Court of Appeals Decision Reaffirms That Property Owned by Religious Societies Must Be Predominately Used for Religious Purposes to Qualify for Tax Exemption," Bodman Update (October 7, 2024)
- Co-author, "Supreme Court Abolishes Chevron Deference," Bodman Environmental Law Update (July 1, 2024)

- Co-Author (with Erica Sarver) "Survey of Michigan Environmental Cases for the Period May 2021 through June 2022," Wayne Law Review (Vol. 68, No. 3, Spring 2023)
- Author, "Survey of Michigan Environmental Cases for the Period May 31, 2018 Through June 1, 2019," 65 Wayne L. Rev. 573 (2020).
- Co-Author (with Joseph T. Muzingo), "Attacking the Massive ESI Project on Two Fronts," In-House Defense Quarterly (Winter 2019).
- Author, "Managing the Outsourced Document Review Project," The Business Litigator (DRI Commercial Litigation Committee newsletter), August 2017
- Co-Author, Supplementary Teacher's Manual: Environmental Law & Policy: Nature, Law & Society (4th Ed. 2010).

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "Environmental Due Diligence in Real Estate Transactions," Wayne State University Law School, October 2017.
- Presenter, Guest lecture in front of Wayne State University Law School's Environmental Law Clinic, November 2014.
- Presenter, Presentation on the Clean Air Act to Michigan Manufacturers Association, April 2014.