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J. Adam Behrendt represents a variety of businesses in their day-to-day disputes. He focuses on finding pragmatic and cost-effective solutions to problems both large and small.

These matters often concern commercial law and contract disputes, land use, and affairs concerning shareholder and minority owner oppression. Adam has significant experience in assisting financial institutions in virtually all aspects of their business including litigation surrounding insolvency, loan workout and receivership matters, and issues regarding vendor management.

Adam also actively represents several international media companies in the outdoor advertising and cable industries related to zoning, land use, First Amendment rights, and other aspects of constitutional law. He has handled copyright and trademark infringement matters, successfully representing a global fast-food restaurant company in a trademark infringement action and defeating an international competitor's preliminary injunction motion.

He has been included in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2012 for Banking and Finance Litigation. He is listed as a 2026 "Top Lawyer" for Litigation-Commercial by metro Detroit business magazine *DBusiness* and he is listed in *Michigan Super Lawyers 2026* for Business Litigation.

Adam is active in the management of the firm, serving as a member of the Business Continuity Planning Committee, the Finance Committee, the Insurance, Loss Prevention and Conflicts Committee, and the

practices & industries

Trust and Estate Litigation

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution

Intellectual Property

education

University of Illinois Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*

Michigan State University, B.A., with *high honor*

admissions

Michigan

court admissions

U.S. Ct. of Appeals, 6th Cir.

U.S. District Ct., E.D. Mich.

U.S. District Ct., W.D. Mich.

Technology Committee.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America® 2012-2027*, Litigation-Banking and Finance
- *DBusiness* Magazine "Top Lawyers" 2027, Litigation-Banking and Finance
- *DBusiness* Magazine "Top Lawyers" 2013-2018, 2021-2026, Litigation-Commercial
- *Michigan Super Lawyers 2018-2026*, Business Litigation

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "The Use of Bifurcation and Direct Testimony Witness Statements in International Commercial Arbitration Proceedings," 20 *Journal of International Arbitration* 295-305 (2003).