



Foster Swift Secures Victory for Coloma Charter Township after Long Running Battle over Gun Range

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In an order issued March 30, 2018, the Michigan Supreme Court denied an appeal by the Berrien County Sheriff's Department, which had argued that its gun range was exempt from the requirements of Coloma Charter Township's zoning ordinance. As a result, the Michigan Court of Appeals' published decision in favor of the Township stands. The Court of Appeals held that the County's shooting range did not have priority over the Township's zoning ordinance because shooting was not ancillary or indispensable to the use of a County building. This decision is a victory for townships and protects local zoning authority.

Mike Homier and Laura Genovich authored the appellate briefs, and Mike Homier argued on behalf of the Township before the Michigan Supreme Court.

You can watch the oral argument at <http://bit.ly/2DknS9i>. Mike Homier's presentation starts at 26:46. The Michigan Supreme Court Order can be viewed at <http://bit.ly/2Ie8ka4>

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