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Michael Oliva assists domestic and international corporations with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, and other complex business transactions. He has over 40 years of experience in administrative and regulatory law before both state and federal agencies and appellate courts, involving gas and electric energy, pipelines, telecommunications and securities.

Michael graduated in 1978 with his law degree *cum laude* from the University of Michigan. Prior to that, he earned his B.A. *summa cum laude* in 1975 from Albion College.

Michael has been listed in *Best Lawyers in America* in the areas of Administrative / Regulatory Law and Energy Law, since 2012. He was selected as the 2019 *Lawyer of the Year* for Energy Law. He is also listed as AV Preeminent by Martindale Hubbell in Administrative Law, Energy Law and Utility Law, and is a Leading Lawyer in Governmental, Municipal, Lobbying and Administrative Law.

MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

Legal Affiliations

- American Bar Association:
 - Member:
 - Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Section
 - Public Utility, Communication and Transportation Law Section
- State Bar of Michigan:
 - Member:
 - Administrative and Regulatory Law Section
- Ingham County Bar Association
 - Member
- Meridian Township Assessing Board of Review

PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative Law
Business & Tax
Energy, Oil & Gas Law
International Business & Trade
Telecommunications

EDUCATION

University of Michigan Law School,
J.D. *cum laude*, 1978
Albion College, B.A. *summa cum laude*, 1975

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Michigan
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan
U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals
D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals

HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

Best Lawyers® in America - Administrative/Regulatory Law, 2012-2025
Best Lawyers® in America - Energy Law, 2012-2025
Best Lawyers® in America - 2019 "Lawyer of the Year" - Lansing, Energy Law
Michigan *Super Lawyers*, Energy & Natural Resources Law, 2020-2024



- Past Chairman, (2000-2006)

Community Affiliations

- Albion College Fellows
 - Member
- Phi Beta Kappa
 - Member
- Michigan State Bar Foundation
 - Fellow

Michigan *Super Lawyers*,
Administrative Law, Utilities,
2020-2023

Leading Lawyers, 2016-2023