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Services

Real Estate

Leasing

Real Estate Acquisition and
Disposition

Industries

Automotive

Charter Schools

Construction

Craft Beverage Manufacturers

K-12 Education

Nonprofit Organizations

Retail and Hospitality

Education

George Washington University Law
School, J.D. cum laude, 2016

Adrian College, B.A. cum laude,
2012

Bar Admissions

Maryland

Michigan

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court

- Western District of Michigan



George Ryan Holton

Principal

George Ryan Holton helps clients with the purchase, sale, lease, and development of real estate in a wide range of commercial and industrial matters. He works extensively with Miller Canfield's K-12 and alcohol industry groups, advising on real estate issues tailored to the unique needs of these industries.

George's experience includes drafting and negotiating real estate sale, lease, private financing, construction, and easement documents, as well as helping clients work with municipalities on zoning and land use permitting issues.

Representative Matters

- Drafted and negotiated a ten-year, 275,000 square foot industrial lease for a German automotive supplier, which provided them with their first location in the United States.
- Represented international auto supplier with multiple sale-leaseback and real estate purchase and sale transactions
- Represented numerous wineries, breweries, restaurants, and distilleries with real estate matters including leases and purchases of manufacturing and service spaces.
- Assisted landowners with securing and defending property rights, including water access and private roads.

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Honors

State Bar of Michigan Pro Bono Honor Roll, 50-99 Hours of Service, 2025

Professional Activities

Midwestern Independent Retailers Foundation, Board Member

Civic, Cultural & Social Activities

Ruth Ellis Center, Facilities Committee Member

Publications

"From Real Estate Deals to the Auctioneer's State: The Many Talents of this MIRA Member," MIRA Bottom Line, Michigan Independent Retailers Association Magazine, March/April 2026

"Chapter 6 – Laches," LexisNexis Practice Guide: Michigan Real Estate Litigation, Co-author, 2025

Articles

Hotel Revenues Are "Rents" Under New Michigan Law