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Education

University of Michigan Law School,
J.D., 1973

University of Michigan, A.B. 1969

Bar Admissions

Michigan

Harvey J. Messing

Of Counsel



Harvey Messing has more than 30 years of experience in energy, telecommunications and public utility law; business and corporate law; administrative law and condemnation law.

Most of his legal work focuses on representing gas, electric, telephone, water, gas pipeline, and oil pipeline companies in administrative proceedings and in the courts. Typically, this work involves complex ratemaking issues and large sums of money. Due to the significant issues involved, agency decisions are often the subject of judicial review. Consequently, Harvey has served as legal counsel in many important Reported Decisions.

From major companies to the smallest enterprise, Harvey approaches all requests for legal advice and representation from the perspective of the client. Over his long and distinguished legal career, he has proven that good strategies get good results.

Reported and Published Decisions

Verizon North, Inc v Michigan Public Service Comm, 263 Mich App 567; 689 NW2d 709 (2004)

TCG Detroit v City of Dearborn, 261 Mich App 69; 680 NW2d 24 (2004).

Verizon North, Inc v Michigan Public Service Comm, 260 Mich App 432; 677 NW2d 918 (2004)

In re Michigan Public Service Comm for Transactions Between Affiliates, 252 Mich App 254; 652 NW2d 1 (2002)

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In re Complaint of Bierman against CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc, 245 Mich App 351; 627 NW2d 632 (2001)

Michigan Bell Telephone Co v Climax Telephone Co, 121 F Supp 2d 1104 (WD Mich, 2000)

TCG Detroit v City of Dearborn, 206 F3d 618 (CA 6, 2000)

Michigan Bell Telephone Co v Climax Telephone Co, 202 F3d 862 (CA 6, 2000)

Michigan Bell Telephone Co v Climax Telephone Co, 186 F3d 726 (CA 6, 1999)

Consumers Power Co v Public Service Comm, 460 Mich 148; 596 NW2d 126; 194 PUR4th 331 (1999)

City of Kentwood v Estate of Sommerdyke, 458 Mich 642; 581 NW2d 670 (1998).

Attorney General v Michigan Public Service Comm, 231 Mich App 76; 585 NW2d 310 (1998)

Ford Motor Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 221 Mich App 370; 562 NW2d 224 (1997)

Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity v Michigan Public Service Comm, 216 Mich App 8; 548 NW2d 649 (1996)

North Michigan Land & Oil Corp v Michigan Public Service Comm, 211 Mich App 424; 536 NW2d 259 (1995)

Telephone Ass'n of Michigan v Michigan Public Service Comm, 210 Mich App 662; 534 NW2d 223 (1995)

In re Filing Requirements for Complaints and Applications Filed Under Michigan Telecommunications Act, 210 Mich App 681; 534 NW2d 234 (1995)

In re Procedure and Format for Filing Tariffs Under Michigan Telecommunications Act, 210 Mich App 533; 534 NW2d 194; 163 PUR4th 440 (1995)

Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity v Michigan Public Service Comm, 205 Mich App 383; 522 NW2d 140 (1994)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 196 Mich App 436; 493 NW2d 902; 137 PUR4th 445 (1992)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 192 Mich App 180, 481 NW2d 1 (1991)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 189 Mich App 151; 472 NW2d 77; 123 PUR4th 511 (1991)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 181 Mich App 261, 448 NW2d 806 (1989)

Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity v Michigan Public Service Comm, 173 Mich App 647; 434 NW2d 648 (1988)

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Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity v Michigan Public Service Comm, 430 Mich 33; 420 NW2d 81 (1988)

Eyde Bros Development Co v Eaton County Drain Comm'r, 427 Mich 271; 398 NW2d 297 (1986)

Manufacturers Nat Bank of Detroit v Director of Dept of Natural Resources, 420 Mich 128; 362 NW2d 572 (1984)

Attorney General v Michigan Public Service Comm, 141 Mich App 505, 367 NW2d 341 (1984)

In re Proposals D & H, 417 Mich 409, 339 NW2d 848 (1983)

Attorney General v Michigan Public Service Comm, 122 Mich App 777; 333 NW2d 131 (1983)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Comm, 415 Mich 134, 327 NW2d 875 (1982)

Manufacturers Nat Bank of Detroit v Director, Dept of Natural Resources, 115 Mich App 294, 320 NW2d 403 (1982)

Sterling Indus Corp v Telephone, Inc, 484 F Supp 1294 (WD Mich, 1980)

Consumers Power Co v Michigan Public Service Commission, 88 Mich App 633; 278 NW2d 702 (1979)

Honors

Best Lawyers in America

2014 Lansing Oil and Gas Lawyer of the Year

2013 Lansing Energy Lawyer of the Year

Administrative Law, Energy Law, Natural Resources Law, Oil & Gas Law 1993-present

Litigation-Regulatory Enforcement (SEC, Telecom, Energy) and Utilities Law 2012-present

Michigan Super Lawyers, Utilities 2006, 2008, 2011-2017

Leading Lawyers, Energy Law, Public Utilities Law: Gas/Water/Electric, Telecommunications Law, 2014–present

Professional Activities

American Bar Association, Member, Public Utility Law Section

State Bar of Michigan, Member, Administrative Law Section

Ingham County Bar Association, Member

Speeches

Speaker on Regulatory and Legislative Issues Affecting the Electric and Gas Industry: Michigan Electric and Gas Association

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Speaker on numerous occasions at the request of the Telecommunications Association of Michigan: Regulatory and Legislative Issues Affecting the Telecommunications Industry

Frequent presenter of "Amicus Curiae" positions in agency and court litigation on behalf of electric, gas and telecommunications industry