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Services

Bankruptcy, Restructuring and
Insolvency
Financial Services
Litigation and Dispute Resolution
 Commercial and Corporate
 Litigation
 Criminal Defense Litigation
 Election and Political Law
 Governmental Litigation

Industries

Financial Institutions
Higher Education

Education

University of Michigan Law School,
J.D., 2017
Wayne State University, B.S., 2014

Bar Admissions

Michigan

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals

- First Circuit
- Sixth Circuit
- Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court

- Eastern District of Michigan
- Western District of Michigan



Erika L. Giroux

Principal

Erika Giroux is a litigation principal at Miller Canfield. She represents a broad range of individual, corporate and governmental clients at both the trial and appellate levels in state and federal court and administrative proceedings.

Erika has experience litigating election law and municipal rate disputes, Title IX athletics claims, criminal charges, and complex contractual, insurance, trade secrets, and racketeering litigation, as well as advising clients regarding state procurement challenges, issues involving ballot initiative and nominating petitions, and auto supply and stop-ship disputes.

Erika is an integral part of Miller Canfield's Title IX athletics team, taking a lead role in developing and implementing strategies related to discovery and merits issues. She is experienced representing clients in Title IX litigation including performing research, developing and drafting arguments, and taking depositions.

Representative Matters

- Worked with a team of Miller Canfield attorneys and the ACLU of Michigan on *Hamama v. Adducci* litigation, a major class action to protect some 1,400 Iraqi nationals living in the U.S. from deportation without due process in immigration courts.
- Represented a political party in connection with pre- and post-election litigation.
- Successfully defended a municipality in a class action lawsuit alleging that the township had misused millage funds collected for police operations by allegedly spending millage proceeds on police retiree health care benefits.

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- Successfully defended a municipality against purported class action claims seeking more than \$150 million in drainage charge refunds by obtaining a ruling that the city's drainage charge is a valid user fee and not an unlawful tax under the Headlee Amendment.
- Prosecuted a high-stakes, multimillion dollar trade secrets lawsuit for an engineering and manufacturing company and obtained a favorable settlement.

Honors

DBusiness Magazine Top Lawyers, Commercial Litigation, 2026

Michigan Lawyers Weekly Up & Coming Lawyers, Class of 2024

Super Lawyers: Business Litigation Rising Star, 2024–2025

Detroit Bar Association Barristers Section, 2023 Pro Bono Award

State Bar of Michigan Pro Bono Honor Roll, 2020-2025

University of Michigan Law School, cum laude

Michigan Law Review: Associate Editor, Vol. 114; Articles Editor, Vol. 115

Wayne State University, summa cum laude, with University Honors

Speeches

"Fraudulent Transfer Law Seminar," State Bar of Michigan, Business Law Section, Debtor-Creditor Rights Committee, March 14, 2018

Publications

"Tools for the Defense Deposition," co-authored with Amy M. Johnston, *Michigan Bar Journal*, March 2020

"How a Bank Can Avoid Paying the Bankruptcy Trustee When Its Customer Commits Fraud," co-authored with Marc N. Swanson, *Michigan Business Law Journal*, Spring 2018

Articles

Michigan Supreme Court: Political Parties Have Standing in Poll Worker Partisan Disparity Disputes

U.S. Supreme Court Curtails Securities and Exchange Commission's In-House Authority to Penalize Securities Fraud

Supreme Court Severely Limits Consideration of Race in Higher Education Admissions

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Supreme Court Holds Emotional Distress Damages Are Not Recoverable for Claims Arising Under Some Antidiscrimination Statutes

Supreme Court Limits Federal Court Jurisdiction Under the Federal Arbitration Act