

## Michelle Crockett Rejoins Miller Canfield as Director of Professional Development

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The law firm of Miller Canfield announces that Michelle P. Crockett has rejoined the firm as Director of Professional Development - a new position at the firm.

In this new role, Crockett will be focusing on coordinating and overseeing human-capital areas for the firm. She will also be resuming her labor and employment law practice. She defends private and public sector clients in all matters related to employment discrimination, traditional labor, and affirmative action.

"It's an exciting time. Our firm is reenergizing hiring, retention, mentoring, and diversity and inclusion initiatives," said Miller Canfield CEO Michael P. McGee. "Michelle will be taking a fresh look at the integrated, strategic talent continuum - continuing to improve today's Miller Canfield and strategically building the future Miller Canfield."

As Director of Professional Development, Crockett's specific responsibilities will be to manage and provide oversight of firm recruiting and hiring activities, coordinate and implement the firm's diversity and inclusion initiatives, oversee and assist with mentoring and continuing education programs and in general, implement a comprehensive professional development program.

"I'm excited to return to Miller Canfield in this new role to focus on human-capital areas that affect every aspect of the legal profession - especially at large law firms," said Crockett. "The fact that the leadership at Miller Canfield recognizes the importance and necessity of having someone primarily focused on establishing recruitment and hiring pipelines, while simultaneously concentrating on retention efforts which directly link to diversity & inclusion, mentoring and attorney development, is a positive step. I'm honored to have been chosen to help with the implementation of this important, integrated, strategic initiative."

Crockett left Miller Canfield in August 2013 to become General Counsel to the Education Achievement Authority (EAA) of Michigan. In the past 1 1/2 years, she gained extensive knowledge working in-house and managing a legal department.

Crockett spent 12 years at Miller Canfield as an employment and labor lawyer. She also served as Diversity Director and as chair of the Women of Miller Canfield.

She is a member of the Leadership Oakland board of directors where she is the treasurer, president-elect of the board of directors for Alternatives for Girls, and a council member of the State Bar of Michigan Labor & Employment Law Council.