

Miller Canfield Opens Office in Traverse City to Serve Growing Northern Michigan Client Base

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Miller Canfield has opened a new office in downtown Traverse City, strengthening the law firm's ability to serve clients in Northern Michigan's growing business community.

The office, located at **202 E. State St., Suite 201, Traverse City**, opened on Jan. 1, 2026. It will support clients in key industries, including tech companies, startups, manufacturing companies, banking, financial services organizations, local governments, schools and higher education clients, healthcare, utilities and energy companies, wineries, distillers, brewers, restaurants, other hospitality businesses, and real estate development companies.

"Traverse City and the surrounding region are home to some of the most dynamic businesses in Michigan, from banks, manufacturers, and developers to wineries and craft beverage producers," said **Michael Palizzi**, Miller Canfield's CEO. "We have decades-long relationships with many public- and private-sector clients and represent some of the Traverse City area's largest employers. With a permanent office there, we can more closely support our long-standing clients and look forward to establishing new relationships and contributing to the region's continued growth."

Steve Roach will serve as the resident director of the Traverse City office and will be based there full-time.

"We are delighted to open a Traverse City office and to be a greater part of a vibrant economy and legal market," Roach said. "Our clients here are navigating sophisticated legal issues while also facing the unique opportunities and pressures of a thriving tourism, hospitality, agricultural and manufacturing economy. We're excited to build on the work we have here and to be a long-term partner to businesses throughout the region."

The firm has already established a strong presence in the area through client events and programming.

"Our Traverse City office reflects who we are as a firm," Palizzi said. "We go where our clients need us, invest in the communities we serve, and bring together cross-disciplinary teams to help clients solve complex problems and seize new opportunities."

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