

Miller Canfield Attorney Honored at MSU Alumni Leaders Program

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Beverly Hall Burns, Deputy CEO at the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., recently participated, by invitation, in the Alumni Leaders Program of the Michigan State University (MSU) College of Arts and Letters. The annual event recognizes alumni who have distinguished themselves in their professions. This year, the focus was on alumni who have pursued legal careers.

"I was honored to be recognized and to sit with other MSU graduates and outstanding leaders in the legal profession," said Burns. Edward Brill, a partner at New York's Proskauer Rose, and Joan S. Cartwright, a judge in the California State Court system, were also acknowledged.

The day-long program began with a welcome breakfast with MSU President Peter McPherson, and continued with a presentation by each of the honorees; lunch with the Dean of the College of Arts and Letters; an afternoon with MSU seniors who are interested in pursuing a legal career; and dinner with the MSU faculty of the college.

Burns practices labor law wherein she represents private and public employers in NLRB and state employment relations matters, labor negotiations, contract administration, and arbitration. She also represents clients on employment discrimination matters before federal and state agencies and courts, wrongful discharge, Section 301 and other employment-related litigation, and general labor-related matters. She also is a member of the firm's Automotive Industry Group.

She is a member of the Michigan Bar Association's Labor Law Section, the American Bar Association's Labor Law Section and Committee on Law Firm Management; Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association; Michigan Council of School Attorneys and National Council of School Attorneys. She is past chair of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Board of Directors, serves on the board of directors of the Economic Club of Detroit, is a fellow of the Michigan Bar Foundation, and a member of the board of trustees of the Michigan Women's Foundation. She is admitted to practice in all state and federal courts in Michigan.

Burns received her law degree from the University of Michigan Law School, and a B.A., with honors, from Michigan State University.

She resides in Grosse Pointe.

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