

Miller Canfield Elects Seven New Principals

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The law firm of Miller Canfield is pleased to announce that the following people have been elected principals of the firm effective January 1, 2011.

Chicago, Illinois office:

Timothy J. Engling, from senior counsel to principal. Engling concentrates his practice in patent, trademark and copyright protection as well as business transactions, intellectual property-related litigation, litigation avoidance, opinions and licensing. Admitted to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, he is authorized to practice patent law in the U.S. and trademark law in the U.S. and Canada. He received his J.D. from IIT-Chicago Kent College of Law, an LL.M. from The John Marshall Law School, and a B.S. from United States Military Academy at West Point.

James W. McConkey, from senior counsel to principal. McConkey's practice focuses on complex commercial litigation disputes with an emphasis on business, class action, consumer financial services, construction, insurance, and environmental litigation matters. He received his J.D. from Seattle University and an A.B. from Davidson College.

Detroit, Michigan office:

Jeffrey S. Aronoff, from associate to principal. Aronoff specializes in all types of public finance, including municipal infrastructure finance, economic development finance and school finance. He also regularly advises governmental clients on general matters including economic development initiatives, public-private collaboration, legislative drafting, and the establishment and ongoing operation of intergovernmental and regional authorities. He received his J.D. from Wayne State University Law School, an M.P.P. from the University of Michigan Ford School of Public Policy, and a B.A. from Michigan State University.

Eric D. Carlson, from associate to principal. Carlson specializes in all types of commercial matters including contract negotiation, litigation and insolvency issues. He regularly works with automotive and other manufacturers to develop strategies to protect just-in-time supplies of component parts produced by financially distressed or bankrupt suppliers. In commercial transactions, he counsels buyers and sellers on developing and negotiating the terms and conditions of supply contracts and purchase orders. He also represents clients in commercial litigation, preference actions, fraudulent transfer actions and other bankruptcy litigation. He received his J.D. from Wayne State University Law School and a B.A. from Western Michigan University.

Ryan J. Riehl, from associate to principal. Riehl focuses his practice on federal and state of Michigan tax issues. He specializes in partnership taxation, like-kind exchanges and other real estate tax matters, corporate acquisitions, dispositions and reorganizations, research and development tax credits and international tax planning for both U.S. companies conducting business abroad and non-residents with U.S. business activities. He received both his J.D. and L.L.M. in Taxation from Wayne State University Law School and a B.A. from Michigan State University.

Kalamazoo, Michigan office:

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Dari Craven Bary, from associate to principal. Bary handles a variety of both local and national litigation matters. She represents clients in cases of corporate embezzlement, computer fraud, antitrust, civil rights, construction law, shareholder disputes, personal injury, products liability and governmental investigations. Her practice is complimented by her focus on electronic discovery. She received her J.D. from Valparaiso University School of Law and a B.A. from Western Michigan University.

Matthew B. Van Dyk, from associate to principal. Van Dyk represents clients in a wide range of real estate-related matters, including zoning and entitlement issues, tax and governmental incentive projects, regulatory issues, planned developments, 1031 transactions, affordable housing projects, land assemblage, multi-state development and financing, commercial and residential development, condominium development, mixed-use development, acquisitions, dispositions and leasing. He received his J.D. from Wayne State University Law School and a B.A. from Calvin College.