

Former U.S. Attorney and Detroit Deputy Mayor Returns to Miller Canfield

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The law firm of Miller Canfield is pleased to announce the return of Saul A. Green, former U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan and former Deputy Mayor of the City of Detroit.

Green will be Of Counsel in the firm's Litigation and Trial Group where he will represent persons under criminal investigation or indictment, conduct internal investigations for organizations that are victims of illegal conduct, provide consultation to law enforcement agencies on the implementation of police reforms and best practices, and represent clients in alternative dispute resolution.

Michael W. Hartmann, Miller Canfield's CEO stated, "We are honored to have Saul Green rejoin our firm after his three years of service to the City of Detroit."

Green left in June of 2011 as Detroit Mayor Dave Bing's deputy mayor and executive over public safety. Appointed to the post in 2008 by then-Mayor Kenneth Cockrel Jr., Green oversaw the Police, Fire, Law and Homeland Security Departments and had the task of ensuring that Detroit complied with federal consent decrees to stop abuses in police use of force and conditions of confinement.

Hartmann said that Green's expansive public sector experience has given him tremendous insight into government as well as the judicial system. "He will enhance our business litigation, labor, appellate, and alternative dispute resolution practices for our clients," said Hartmann.

Green was appointed U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan by former President William J. Clinton, and served in that capacity from May 1994 to May 2001. During his many years of public service, he has held the positions of Wayne County Corporation Counsel, Chief Counsel, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Detroit Field Office, and Assistant U.S. Attorney. In December 2002, Green was appointed by the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio to monitor implementation of required U.S. Department of Justice police reforms by the City of Cincinnati.

He received his law degree in 1972 from the University of Michigan Law School where he is a Public Interest/Public Service Faculty Fellow. He is the former president of the U of M Alumni Association, the 1989 recipient of the Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award, and the 1994 Leonard F. Sain Esteemed Alumni Award. He is a past president of the Wolverine Bar Association and received its Trailblazer Award in 1991. He is a fellow of the State Bar Foundation and the American Bar Association Foundation. In 1999, he was awarded the State Bar Champion of Justice Award and in 2002 received its Frank J. Kelly Distinguished Public Service Award. In 2009, he received the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association Dennis W. Archer Public Service Award. He was appointed by the Michigan Supreme Court to the Attorney Grievance Commission in 1990.

His community service also is very extensive, having established four "Weed and Seed" sites, a Drug Education for Youth Camp, and sponsorship of an Explorer Scouts Troop while U.S. Attorney. In 1998, he received the Damon J. Keith Community Spirit Award and in 2009 he received the Michigan Roundtable Annual Humanitarian Award. He is a life member of the NAACP.

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Green is a lifelong resident of the city of Detroit.