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Michael is a member of a team of lawyers who represent large financial institutions and high-net-worth individuals regarding employment transitions and violations of contractual covenants. His practice primarily focuses on securities law, restrictive covenants, trade secrets, corporate change in control issues, mergers and acquisitions, commercial litigation, arbitration and high-level negotiation.

Clients draw on Michael's national experience with regard to:

- Brokerage industry transitions, promissory notes, and deferred compensation disputes
- Defending TRO litigation
- Registered Investment Advisory (RIA) development and planning
- Negotiating financial advisor contracts with top firms
- Representing financial advisors in numerous regulatory matters before the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA)
- Form U-4 and U-5 issues
- Defending against garden leave provisions across the country
- Corporate raiding

Michael has represented thousands of financial advisors, has

SERVICE LINE

Litigation & Disputes

INDUSTRY SECTOR

Financial Institutions & Insurance
Financial Services
Registered Investment Advisory (RIA)

PRIMARY LOCATION

Sarasota, FL

significant experience in all facets of their business and in the financial industry generally and has advised on some of the largest transitions in financial industry history.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Florida, 2004

United States District Court, Northern District, Florida, 2009

United States District Court, Southern District, Florida, 2008

United States District Court, Middle District, Florida, 2005

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Sarasota County Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Advisory Committee

HONORS

- Florida Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

EDUCATION

J.D., with honors, University of Florida, 2004

M.D.R, Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University, 2004

B.S., with honors, Gannon University, 2001

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