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PRACTICES

- Corporate and Securities
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate
- Finance
- Cannabis
- Private Equity Transactions
- Venture Capital

EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, J.D., 2014
- University of Michigan, B.B.A., High Distinction, 2009

ADMISSIONS

- California
- New York

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP
Partner, 2023-Present
- STIIZY Inc.
General Counsel, 2021-2023
- Thompson Coburn LLP
Associate, 2017-2021
- Goldman Sachs
Secondee, 2015
- Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, LLP
Associate, 2014-2017

Michael is a partner in Thompson Coburn's Corporate and Securities group and is co-chair of the firm's Cannabis Practice. He is a versatile attorney with broad experience advising clients on corporate, regulatory and transactional matters, including mergers and acquisitions, real estate, and financing transactions.

Since first joining the firm in 2017, Michael has advised private and public clients and investors across a range of industries on legal issues including:

- M&A, joint ventures and other strategic transactions
- Equity and debt financings
- Commercial real estate
- Business contracts
- Intellectual property
- Venture capital and emerging companies
- Entity formation and corporate governance

Michael was previously general counsel at STIIZY, the nation's top-selling cannabis brand, and he served as in-house counsel at Goldman Sachs in New York. From his robust in-house experience, Michael recognizes the importance of providing exceptional legal service, and his clients value his practical, entrepreneurial approach.

Michael has written extensively regarding legal and regulatory challenges to the cannabis industry, with articles appearing in publications including *Law360* and the Los Angeles Daily Journal. He is the co-creator of the firm's annual "*Cannabis State-by-State Regulations*" report.

A native of Los Angeles, Michael earned his J.D. from New York University School of Law and his B.B.A. from the Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan. He is licensed to practice law in both California and New York.

Recognitions

- Selected by the Los Angeles Business Journal, "Corporate Counsel

PRESENTATIONS

- "An Overview of the Cannabis Legal Landscape," Association of Corporate Counsel St. Louis CLE, September 2020
- "The Pot Thickens: How to Create a Successful Cannabis Business in California" webinar, October 2017

Awards," 2022

- Listed in "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" for Venture Capital Law in Los Angeles, California, 2021 (by BL Rankings)

Publications

- Authored, "Unveiling the pitfalls of proposed cannabis rescheduling and banking protections," *Daily Journal*, January 5, 2024
- Interviewed, "How Does Cannabis Reclassification To Schedule III Differ From De-Scheduling & What Is Ideal Reform? Legal Expert Explains," *Benzinga*, December 6, 2023
- Contributor, "How one Oregon entrepreneur is trying to sell marijuana out of state, legally," *NPR "Planet Money" Podcast*, November 29, 2023
- "California Cannabis Delivery Case May Bring Black-Market Growth" *Law360* 2020
- "Cannabis at Work: What California Employers Need to Know" *Los Angeles Daily Journal* 2017
- "Hazy Outlook for Legislation Protecting Medical Cannabis" *Law360* 2017
- "LA Leads the Way with Draft Commercial Cannabis Regs" *Law360* 2017
- "Why Medical Marijuana Delivery May Soon Be Legal in LA" *Law360* 2017
- "Clearing the Smoke Around the Farr-Rohrabacher Amendment" *Law360* 2015