

John G. Michael

John Michael specializes in agribusiness, business litigation, and intellectual property.

Background

Mr. Michael has practiced law since 1982 and is an AV rated trial lawyer. His practice areas are business litigation, agribusiness, intellectual property, and general business. His expertise in business litigation includes real property disputes, creditors' rights, financial restructures, foreclosures, contract, antitrust, trademark and copyright infringements, trade secret and competitive business cases, and domain name disputes.

In addition, Mr. Michael assists agribusiness clients with lease disputes, crop damage issues, contracts, commission merchant matters, agricultural real estate transactions, agricultural financing, and agribusiness sales and acquisitions.

Mr. Michael also represents both individuals and companies with business governance actions, entity dissolutions, and investment disputes.

His intellectual property experience includes trademark and copyright registration, prosecution and licensing services.

Mr. Michael also assists clients with the identification, protection and enforcement of trade secrets and confidential business information, confidentiality, unfair competition, and intellectual property litigation, such as trademark and copyright infringement.

He is the chairman of the firm's Intellectual Property Group, is a member of the firm's executive committee, and has been voted a "Super Lawyer" every year since 2011. Mr. Michael is a member of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers, and the Fresno County, Monterey County, California, American, and Federal Bar Associations.

Areas of Practice

- Agribusiness
- Alternative Dispute Resolution & Mediation
- Business Litigation
- Corporate & General Business
- Creditors' Rights & Bankruptcy
- Intellectual Property

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Education

- University of California, Davis (J.D., Order of the Coif, 1982)
- California State University, Northridge (B.S., magna cum laude, 1979)

Bar Admissions

- State Bar of California (1982)
- U.S. District Court (Eastern, Central, Southern, and Northern Districts)
- U.S. Court of Appeals (Ninth Circuit)