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OVERVIEW

Michael is an associate in the firm's Corporate practice. He received his J.D. from the Temple University Beasley School of Law, where he served as managing editor for the *Temple Law Review*.

Prior to attending law school, Michael served on active duty as an officer in the United States Army. The majority of his military career was spent serving in the 101st Airborne Division with whom he deployed to Afghanistan. His service also saw time spent leading soldiers in South Korea and across the nation in Tennessee, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Washington state.

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Corporate

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Judicial extern, Hon. John F. Murphy, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, August 2024–May 2025
- Intern, Criminal Division – National Security Section, United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C., June 2023–August 2023
- Intern, Criminal Division – Legal Assistant, Rhode Island Attorney General (Department of Defense Skillbridge Program), Providence, RI, April 2021-July 2021
- Captain, U.S. Army, 2015-2021

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Temple University Beasley School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2025, managing editor, *Temple Law Review*
- United States Military Academy at West Point, B.S., *with honors*, 2015, law and legal studies

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist, “The Increasing Danger of Undeclared Wars in the Infinite Game,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 8, 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “SEC Division of Examination Announces Fiscal Year 2026 Priorities,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, November 24, 2025.
- Co-author, “Investment Management Update – Q3 2025,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, November 20, 2025.
- Contributor, “SEC No-Action Letter: Expanding Custody Options for Crypto Assets With State Trust Companies,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, October 7, 2025.
- Author, “The National Security Reforms and Accountability Act: A Chance to Reinstate the Framers’ Effectual Check on the Executive’s Proclivity for Armed Conflict,” 97 Temp. L. Rev. 289 (2025).