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Practice Areas

Banking & Financial
Services Litigation

Banking, Bankruptcy &
Creditors' Rights Law

Class Action, Mass Tort &
Multi-District Litigation

Commercial Litigation

Crisis Response Team

Financial Services Liability

Real Estate Law

Clerkships

Law Clerk, Judge Patricia J.
Boyle, Michigan Supreme
Court

Education

- University of Detroit
School of Law, cum
laude, J.D., 1987
 - University of Detroit
Law Review,
Executive Editor
- University of Detroit, cum
laude, B.S., 1984
 - Beta Alpha Psi,
President (1983-84)

Admissions

Michigan, 1987

Matthew J. Boettcher is a member of Plunkett Cooney's Board of Directors and serves as Leader of the firm's Commercial Litigation Practice Group. Mr. Boettcher, who practices in the Bloomfield Hills office, represents clients in the area of commercial litigation with extensive expertise in real property, banking conflicts, contract disputes, class action defense and business torts.

Representative Client Work

- Obtained a judgment of summary disposition on behalf of a national retailer in litigation involving alleged business fraud
- Successfully represented minority shareholder and member claims brought against public and private corporations
- Successfully defended a large retailer involving a multi-million dollar lease dispute
- Successfully prosecuted a claim at trial for a community golf course in a lease dispute with the course operator
- Represented banks and lenders against trust and fiduciary claims
- Successfully defended a service company in a jury trial against claims to enforce a non-compete agreement
- Obtained a permanent injunction to protect the intellectual property rights of a national machine manufacturer
- Defended claims brought against pension funds engaged in commercial lending
- Successfully enforced at trial a personal guaranty on behalf of a national bank

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Illinois, 1988

U.S. Supreme Court, 1997

Ohio, 2002

- Successfully defended loan servicer at trial in bankruptcy court against a borrower's contract and tort claims
- Successfully defended at trial a public college in a commercial lease dispute
- Successfully defended hundreds of lender liability and foreclosure challenges

Professional Affiliations

- DRI (Commercial Litigation Committee)
- U.S. Supreme Court Bar
- Illinois State Bar
- Ohio Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association

Public Service

- Clarenceville Board of Education, Trustee, (1997-2020); President (2001-2003, 2007-2009, 2013-2015); Vice President (2010-2013); Treasurer (2006-2007)

Community Involvement

- American Inns of Court (1997-1999)

Publications and Lectures

- "What Happens When a Court Rules Your Contract is Ambiguous?," Author, dbusiness.com, May 2024
- "Successfully Trekking Along the Precipice;" ALFA International's Business Litigation Practice Group seminar, Table Captain, LondonHouse Chicago, Sept. 14, 2017
- "UCC Tip of the Month - Unwritten Contracts Still Enforceable Under Statute of Frauds," Plunkett Cooney, Dec. 1, 2013
- "UCC Tip of the Month - Don't Rely on the Boilerplate," Plunkett Cooney, Nov. 1, 2013

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- “UCC Tip of the Month - What Does My Contract Include Anyway?,” Plunkett Cooney, Oct. 1, 2013
- “UCC Tip of the Month – Security Interests vs. Garnishments,” Plunkett Cooney, Sept. 2, 2013
- “UCC TIP OF THE MONTH – What About Equipment Leases?,” Plunkett Cooney, Aug. 15, 2013
- “UCC Tip of the Month - Does the UCC even apply?,” Plunkett Cooney, Mar. 19, 2013
- “UCC TIP OF THE MONTH – Do I Need a Writing When Selling Goods?,” Plunkett Cooney, Feb. 7, 2013
- “UCC Tip of the Month: Don’t Forget the Price,” Plunkett Cooney, Dec. 11, 2012
- “An Actual Fraud ... the Play by Play & Monday Morning Quarterback,” Presenter, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants 2007 Fraud Awareness Symposium, November 2007
- “Preserving the Attorney-Client Privilege and Use of the Internet,” Author, X-ology Magazine, a publication of Automation Alley, Fall 2007
- “E-Discovery & the Accountant’s Role in Electronic Document Retention & Production Under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,” Presenter, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accounts 2007 Litigation & Business Valuation Conference, Livonia, Michigan
- “Concerns Over Attorney-Client Communication Via E-Mail: Is the Sky Really Falling?,” The Law Review of Michigan State University – Detroit College of Law 127, Authors: Boettcher and Tucciarone, 2002
- “Enforceable Contracts Without Agreement on Price: Avoiding the Potential Pitfalls of the Incomplete Deal,” Michigan Bar Journal, Authors: Boettcher & Gerish, 2005
- “Case Note, *People v Gonyea*,” 421 Mich 462; 635 NW2d 156 (1986), 63 U.Det. L. Rev. 595 (1986)

Honors & Recognitions

- Legal 500 US Elite – Detroit – Commercial Disputes, 2025
- Best Lawyers in America® for Litigation - Commercial, Banking and Finance, 2023 - 2026
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Business Litigation, 2006, 2024 - 2025
- Leading Lawyer in Commercial Litigation, Leading Lawyers Magazine Michigan, 2021 - 2026
- Martindale-Hubbell’s highest rating-AV Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated
- Top Lawyer in Commercial Law and Litigation, dbusiness Magazine