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Michael J. Farrell is consistently recognized as one of the best commercial litigators in Arizona.

Mike's practice includes all financial services, real estate, trusts, business torts, contract disputes, bankruptcy, and labor and employment matters. He has extensive trial, arbitration and appellate experience throughout the United States.

Mike is licensed in three states - Arizona, California, and New York, and is known for effective and efficient representation in all manner of complex litigation. For the past several years, Mike has been recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers" in America, served for three years (2020-2023) as Chairman of the Civil Rules Committee for the Arizona State Bar, and routinely speaks on changes to Arizona substantive and procedural law.

Following his clerkship, Mike started his career as associate at the New York office of Sullivan & Cromwell PLLC. Mike was a partner at Jennings Strauss & Salmon PLLC and at Stinson Leonard Street PLC before starting his own firm with Maureen.

EXPERIENCE

- Represented national banks in numerous deficiency actions and fair-market value proceedings.
- Represented Fortune 100 investment bank in litigation involving tax shelter.
- Represented bank in fraud case against title company and others, which resulted in one of the largest verdicts in Arizona.
- Represented Fortune 500 companies, investment banks and accounting firms in securities fraud cases.
- Represented Fortune 100 company in federal litigation concerning corporate merger and acquisition.
- Defended Fortune 100 company in connection with extensive federal investigations regarding immigration, labor and tax issues.
- Represented Fortune 500 companies in patent litigation regarding nanotechnology.
- Represented investment banks in connection with several multi billion dollar bankruptcy proceedings.
- Represented high-technology company in breach-of- contract litigation.
- Represented national paint manufacturer/distributor in antitrust litigation.
- Represented Fortune 500 furniture manufacturer/distributor in antitrust litigation.
- Trustee in over 400 commercial foreclosures and residential foreclosures.

HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

- Martindale-Hubbell® Rated AV® Preeminent
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, Securities Litigation, 2015-2025



- *Southwest Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation, 2012-2024



BAR ADMISSIONS

- Arizona
- California
- New York

EDUCATION

- J.D., Fordham University, magna cum laude; Fordham Law Review Managing Editor
- B.S., University of California Los Angeles, magna cum laude

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

CLERKSHIP

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, Judge Joseph M. McLaughlin