

Jordan S. Bolton

Member



Jordan S. Bolton is an Equity Member in Clark Hill's Litigation Practice Group. He has been with Clark Hill since 2002, is the Chairperson of the National Recruiting Committee (Summer Associate Program), leads various corporate culture initiatives, maintains a leadership role in the firm's E2 initiative (helping start-ups and other early-stage ventures manage their legal spend), and is principally resident in the firm's Birmingham, Michigan office.

Jordan helps business leaders, in-house counsel, and individuals remove barriers to success by providing creative dispute resolution and transactional services. Core to Jordan's work is a national complex commercial litigation practice (emphasizing on consumer, contract, copyright, fraud, real estate, shareholder, supply chain, and trademark matters). In that capacity, Jordan has been called upon to serve clients in litigation pending in dozens of state and federal courts across the country, including substantial experience litigating matters in Michigan's business courts. Jordan also maintains a robust outside general counsel practice for his clients who have varied legal needs but are not yet ready for in-house counsel. In that regard, Jordan's clients appreciate his ability to call upon his vast network to advance his clients' business interests. Finally, having built a reputation for creative dispute resolution, Jordan is called upon by his colleagues to serve as a mediator and as an arbitrator. In those instances, counsel looking to Jordan for those services appreciate his ability to quickly focus on the key issues, leading to efficient dispute resolution.

During his career, Jordan has received significant recognition from peer and other groups for his work, including being:

- Recognized by Lawyers Weekly for obtaining the largest judgment in Michigan (\$120,000,000)
- Named the Legal Aid and Defenders' Pro Bono Attorney of the Year
- Named in Super Lawyers every year for more than a decade (repeatedly "Top 50 Business Attorneys" and "Top 100 Attorneys" in any practice)
- Named repeatedly in dBusiness's listing of Top Lawyers
- Rated "AV Preeminent" (highest rating) by Martindale-Hubbell
- Rated "10/10 Superb" (highest rating) by Avvo
- Profiled in Crain's Detroit Business among the busiest litigators in Michigan
- Selected to serve as a Special Assistant Attorney General in connection with the Flint water litigation

In addition to firm leadership positions, speaking engagements for domestic and international audiences (including business court judges and practitioners, forensic accounting experts, and others), and service on the Board of Directors for the Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, Prosecutors Foundation for the Kids, and Knollwood Country Club, Jordan has a track record of bar service that spans his entire career.

He has served numerous terms by Presidential appointment on the State Bar of Michigan's:

- Judicial Qualifications Committee, which evaluates candidates for appointment to judicial vacancies on behalf of the appointing authority
- Character and Fitness Committee, which evaluates applicants for admission to the State Bar of Michigan
- United States Courts Committee, which addresses issues confronting the federal courts

He has also been nominated to run for the State Bar of Michigan's Judicial Tenure Commission, and is a Life Fellow of the State Bar Foundation.

With the Oakland County Bar Association, he has served as a(n):

- Inns of Court Barrister
- Discovery Mediator
- Pro Bono Mentor
- Chair and Vice Chair of the Forum for In-House Counsel Committee
- Chair and Vice Chair of the Business Counsel and Courts Committee (a committee he was instrumental in founding)
- Member of various ad hoc committees
- Life Fellow of the Oakland County Bar Foundation
- Nominee for the Board of Directors

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Education

J.D., cum laude, Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, Michigan, 2003

B.A., cum laude, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, 2000

State Bar Licenses

Michigan

Court Admissions

U.S. Bankruptcy Ct., N.D. of Georgia

U.S. Bankruptcy Ct., E.D. of Michigan

U.S. Bankruptcy Ct., W.D. of Michigan

U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. District Ct., E.D. of Michigan

U.S. District Ct., W.D. of Michigan

U.S. District Ct., District of New Jersey

U.S. District Ct., S.D. of New York

U.S. District Ct., W.D. of New York
Kings County Supreme Court, New

Jordan has also been an active member of the American Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, and a Barrister for the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association.

Jordan's clients and connections have this to say about him:

- "I would not hesitate to recommend Jordan to anyone based on his hard work, experience and knowledge of the law... he is a trusted colleague." - Robb Smith, General Counsel, North American Bancard
- "Jordan Bolton is a dedicated professional, a natural litigator and... the sort of advocate I would want steering me through legal troubles." - Matthew Rechten, Partner, Bodman
- "My company has utilized Jordan Bolton over the years in several instances, ranging from the mundane 'contract review'... to the complex, scary, and sometimes urgent legal situations that sometimes arise when running a small business. Although he works for a large firm, he offers very personalized service, and is prompt and efficient. His qualifications and the peace of mind he instills in his clients are to be commended. I would (and have) recommend(ed) him to anybody who was having a business litigation question/issue, large or small. In fact, some clients of mine that I referred to Jordan were equally as happy with his work and have thanked me on more than one occasion for recommending his services." - Jeffrey Atto, Managing Member, Concise Computer Consulting
- "Jordan is a tenacious attorney who I have retained and referred to several friends and relatives. Always personable, detailed oriented, and readily accessible, he has a passion for his profession and a deep talent pool at his disposal to ensure all facets of any situation are covered." – Dominick Pulis, Quality Manager, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles
- "Jordan (is)... one of the best Attorneys one could partner with. Jordan is respectful, genuine and generous, while at the same time sharp, strategic, and fearless. This unique combination of personality traits allows him to clearly navigate the ever changing environment of business, and also achieve results that are always focused on the best interest of his client." – Barry Spilman, CEO, RPM Freight Systems
- "Jordan Bolton is a high energy and passionate guy who gets things done! He's a natural connector who is always looking for ways to help his friends and network. He's a force of nature and the kind of guy you want on your team." – Marty Maddin, Founder, PEAK Performance International

Prior to joining Clark Hill, Jordan gained significant courtroom experience holding positions with Judge George C. Steeh of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, the Free Legal Aid Clinic, and the 46th District Court of Southfield, Michigan.

Jordan resides in Birmingham, Michigan with his wife and two daughters.

Practices, Industries & Services

Automotive & Manufacturing
Banking
Cannabis
Construction
Entertainment
Environment, Energy & Natural Resources
Food, Beverage & Hospitality
Franchise & Licensing
Insurance
Litigation
Pharmaceutical
Retail
Sports
Transportation & Logistics

Areas of Emphasis

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Class Action Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Consumer Financial Services Regulatory & Compliance
Financial Services Litigation
Foreclosures, Loan Modifications and Lender's Remedies
Intellectual Property Litigation
Toxic Torts and Hazardous Substance Litigation
Warranty

York

Dallas County District Court, Texas

Delaware Chancery Court

Multnomah Circuit Court, Oregon

U.S. District Ct., W.D. of Louisiana

Philadelphia County, Court of Common Pleas, Commerce Division

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors
- Detroit Economic Club
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association

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- Fellows of the Michigan State Bar Foundation
 - Fellows of the Oakland County Bar Foundation
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 - State Bar of Michigan
 - Knollwood Country Club, Board of Directors