



## Scott L. Mandel

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Scott Mandel is a shareholder and a trial attorney who has tried approximately 100 cases in state and federal courts and before agencies, including the Federal Trade Commission, the Department of Financial and Insurance Services, and Bureau of Health Services. Scott's practice concentrates on Business Litigation, Employment Discrimination Defense, Personal Injury Litigation, Insurance Company Insolvency Proceedings and Licensing and Regulation of Health Care Professionals. Much of Scott's practice concerns complex litigation, including representation of governmental entities and large corporations. Scott has also tried many arbitration cases and has served as an arbitrator.

Scott is recognized for his skill in *Best Lawyers® in America* for Commercial Litigation and Insurance Law; in *American Lawyer* for top Commercial Litigation Lawyers; and Michigan *SuperLawyers* for Business Litigation. In March of 2017 he received the Excellence in Defense Award from the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel. In 2018, he was inducted as a Fellow into the American College of Trial Lawyers.

He is admitted to practice before all Michigan State and Federal Courts, the Sixth Circuit, United States Supreme Court and the Federal Trade Commission. He is a member of the Federal Bar Association of Western Michigan; the American Bar Association, where he served on the Public Regulation Insurance Committee of the Tort Insurance Practice Group; and the State Bar of Michigan, where he has served on the Insurance Law Committee; the State Trial Courts Committee; and serves on the Membership Services Committee.

Additionally, Scott served as president of the Ingham County Bar Association and was on the board of the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel. He also served on the Steering Committee for the Hillman Advocacy Program and as a member of the Tri-County Pro Bono Project Board of Directors.

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### PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation  
General & Commercial Litigation  
Insurance Law  
Licensing - Professional - Business - Government  
Insurance Defense  
School Law Services

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### EDUCATION

Wayne State University Law School,  
J.D., 1981, *cum laude*  
Michigan State University, B.A.,  
1978, with high honors

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### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Michigan  
U.S. District Court for the Western  
District of Michigan  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern  
District of Michigan  
U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals  
U.S. Supreme Court

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### HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

Fellow, American College of Trial  
Lawyers  
Excellence in Defense Award,  
Michigan Defense Trial Counsel,  
2017  
Theodore Swift Civility Award,  
Ingham County Bar Association,  
2009



He is also the immediate past president of Congregation Shaarey Zedek and is on the board of the Riverwalk Theatre.

He regularly speaks to legal and professional organizations including the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors, the Michigan Insurance Federation, and the Ingham County Bar Association.

An alumnus of Michigan State University and an active member of MSU's Mid-Michigan Alumni Association, Scott graduated with high honors and was inducted into the honor societies of Phi Kappa Phi and Beta Gamma Sigma before completing his legal education and juris doctorate, *cum laude*, from Wayne State University in 1981.

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Martindale-Hubbell

*Best Lawyers in America®*  
2006-2024 (Commercial Litigation;  
Bet-the-Company Litigation;  
Insurance Law; Litigation -  
Antitrust)

*Best Lawyers®* 2017, 2019, 2022,  
2024 Bet-the-Company Litigation  
"Lawyer of the Year" in Lansing

*Best Lawyers®* 2016, 2017, 2021  
Insurance Law "Lawyer of the Year"  
in Lansing

Michigan *Super Lawyers*, Business  
Litigation, 2013-2023

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

**Drafting Subpoenas and Expert Testimony**, *NALS of Lansing*  
*Winter Warm Up Seminar*, March 6, 2015

## **MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

### **Legal Affiliations:**

- Federal Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan
- Ingham County Bar Association, President 2011-2012, Board of Directors 2009-present

### **Industry & Professional Associations:**

- American Board of Trial Advocates
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Association of Defense Trial Attorneys
- Defense Research Institute
- Michigan Defense Trial Counsel
- Michigan Trial Lawyers Association