



# Paul J. Millenbach

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Paul is a litigator and is a co-leader of Foster Swift's General Litigation Practice Group. Core components of Paul's practice include a highly specialized transportation and logistics law practice. He also assists clients with commercial litigation and mass tort defense of asbestos disease cases statewide, including Wayne County. Additionally, Paul is a visiting lecturer on Constitutional and Transportation Law at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law and most recently, he was appointed by Governor Jennifer Granholm to the Michigan Truck Safety Commission.

Admitted to practice law in Michigan, as well as the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan and the U.S. Supreme Court, Paul is an active member of the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Michigan, the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, and the Transportation Lawyers Association. He is also a Fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation.

Committed to keeping clients abreast of changes in the law, Paul frequently provides updates via e-blast or traditional seminars to a variety of groups including transportation industry leaders, corporate executives and insurance claims adjusters.

A Grosse Pointe native, Paul is currently on the Board of Directors of the Northern Michigan University Alumni Association.

#### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Successfully challenged the State of Michigan on behalf of a large group of motor carriers who were required to pay excess registration/plate fees. Defended these motor carriers in courts throughout the state. Won the case against the state, which was affirmed by the Court of Appeals in 2009.

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Transportation Law

Mass Tort

Commercial Litigation

#### **EDUCATION**

Thomas M. Cooley Law School, J.D., 1989

Northern Michigan University, B.S., 1984

### **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

Michigan

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. Supreme Court

## **HONORS & RECOGNITIONS**

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 Successfully assisted in getting legislation passed which amended the Michigan Motor Carrier Act to the benefit of Michigan household goods carriers.

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Tariff Issues, Michigan Movers Association, April 1, 2010

Understanding the Tariff, Michigan Movers Association, March 2010

Transportation and Logistics: Ensuring Your Products Reach Your Customer and Greening the Supply Chain, Trade North America - U.S. Department of Commerce - Commercial Service, September 2009 Public Act 33, Michigan Movers Association, September 2007

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Overweight Trucks, Foster Swift Construction Law News, June 2009

## **MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

#### Legal Affiliations:

- State Bar of Michigan
  - Administrative Law Section
  - Transportation Law Section
- American Bar Association
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
- University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Visiting Lecturer
- Michigan State Bar Foundation, Fellow

## **Industry & Professional Associations:**

- Michigan Truck Safety Commission, Appointed Commissioner
- Transportation Lawyers Association