



# Danielle R. DePriest

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Danielle DePriest is dedicated to effectively and efficiently achieving the best possible results in the commercial litigation cases she handles.

Danielle handles a variety of litigation, including commercial and insurance disputes. Danielle represents shopping malls and retail commercial property owners in landlord-tenant disputes. In addition, she has experience representing governmental entities and her municipal litigation practice involves large-scale public infrastructure projects. She also has experience in the areas of energy infrastructure and eminent domain. Danielle has obtained numerous victories for her representation of Fortune 500 insurers, including advising regarding policy revisions and interactions with governmental oversight entities. She also second-chaired a third-party negligence action that resulted in a "No Cause of Action" verdict in favor of her client.

Danielle's interest in public policy led her to the practice of law. She earned a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Michigan's Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. At Wayne State University Law School, Danielle was an academic standout, earning scholarships and awards for her performance, and held leadership roles in а number extracurricular activities, including positions as coach of the Moot Court Team and the Executive Articles Editor of the Wayne Law Review. During law school, she interned with Judge Mark Goldsmith at the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Danielle continues her commitment to the community through serving as the President of NEXTGen Detroit, the young adult division of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit and as an Executive Board member for Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit, an organization whose programming provides safety net services. As a member of its Board of Directors, she has helped create legal mentoring opportunities through an affiliation with the Jewish Bar Association of Michigan.



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#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

**Business & Commercial Litigation** 

Construction

**Eminent Domain** 

**Energy Infrastructure** 

Insurance Coverage

Insurance Defense

Insurance Fraud

Municipal

Real Property

Renewable Energy

#### **EDUCATION**

## Wayne State University Law School,

Juris Doctor, 2015

Executive Articles Editor, Wayne Law Review Coach, Cardozo BMI Entertainment and

Communications Law Moot Court Competition

Senior Member, Moot Court Team

President, Women's Law Caucus

Vice President, Jewish Law Students Association

Dean's Scholar

Bronze Key Certificate for outstanding academic

performance

#### University of Michigan,

Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy, 2012

Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Lloyd Hall

Scholars Program

Vice Chair, American Movement for Israel

Chair, University of Michigan Hillel

Programming Board

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

State of Michigan

## **PROFESSIONAL GROUPS**

State Bar of Michigan, Insurance & Indemnity Law,

and Litigation Sections

Jewish Bar Association of Michigan

Oakland County Bar Association, Inns of Court

Oakland County Executive's Oakland Together 40 Under

40 Class of 2023

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

"No-Fault Survey, Spring 2019," Wayne Law Review,

Co-Author

"No-Fault Litigation in a Post-Covenant Era, Spring 2018,"

Wayne Law Review, Co-Author

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

"Utilization Review," Insurance Alliance of

Michigan Claims Seminar, 2022

"No-Fault Reform," No-Fault Reform Seminar, 2021

"DIFS' Evolving Spin on No-Fault Reform," Insurance Alliance of Michigan Claims Seminar, 2020

"Assignments Under Shah: An End to Uncertainty in the

Covenant Era?," Insurance Alliance of Michigan

Seminar, 2018

#### **VOLUNTEER & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

Jewish Family Services Board of Directors – May 2014 – Present

Jewish Family Services, Co-Chair Leadership Committee 2020 - Present

NEXTGen Detroit, President, Ben-Gurion Society

(BGS) Membe Zausmer Associate Development Committee

#### **HONORS & AWARDS**

Oakland County Executive's Oakland Together 40

Under 40 Class – 2023

Super Lawyers (Michigan) - 2022

Top Women Attorneys in Michigan - 2022

The Well and The Jewish News "36 Under 36

Honoree" - 2020

Michigan Lawyers Weekly "Up & Coming Lawyer" - 2017

