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## Nathan S. Scherbarth



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Nathan Scherbarth is a shareholder and team leader of the firm's Appellate group. He also practices in the firm's Business & Commercial, Construction, Employment, Eminent Domain, Insurance Defense, Insurance Coverage, and Municipal practice groups.

His extensive appellate experience gives him an advantage when defending his clients both in the trial courts and on appeal. Combining strong written and oral advocacy, legal research acumen, and a pragmatic approach, he knows how to avoid potential pitfalls in any given case and how to anticipate potential changes in the law.

Nathan's clients can count on him to analyze complex legal issues with great attention to detail and to vigorously advocate for their best interests. His extensive appellate experience has taught him to anticipate problems and every counterpoint, enabling him to provide a thorough and strategic defense in the trial court. Moreover, Nathan knows how to preserve the record and what arguments to raise and when so that his clients are protected in the event of an appeal.

Nathan has handled hundreds of matters on appeal, in Michigan's appellate courts as well as in the Sixth Circuit. He has successfully advocated for clients on appeal in a wide range of contexts, from discovery disputes, zoning, commercial, premises, § 1983, and negligence to complex PIP issues.

Nathan attended the Honors College at Michigan State University and earned Bachelor of Arts Degrees with high honors in both History and French, graduating first in his class. He then lived abroad in France, near the Normandy beaches in Caen, where he taught English to French high school students. He came back to the states and went on to earn his law degree, cum laude, from Boston College Law School. Nathan was also appointed a Lecturer in Law, where he designed and co-taught a university course in Environmental Law and Policy for Boston College undergraduates.

After law school, Nathan started his legal career at the Michigan Court of Appeals, where he analyzed lower court and appellate records and research, and drafted research reports and proposed per curiam opinions in civil and criminal appeals. Before joining Zausmer, he worked at a boutique Detroit appellate law firm representing corporations, insurance companies, and public utilities, where he continued to hone his skills in written and oral advocacy.

Outside of the office, Nathan enjoys spending time with his wife and two children. He also enjoys running, gardening, cooking, home improvement projects, and playing the cello and guitar.

### PRACTICE AREAS

Appellate  
Business & Commercial Litigation  
Construction Law  
Eminent Domain  
Employment & Labor Litigation  
Insurance Coverage  
Insurance Defense  
Municipal  
Real Property

### EDUCATION

**Boston College Law School,**  
Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, 2011

**Michigan State University,**  
Bachelor of Arts in History and French,  
with *high honors*, 2007  
Board of Trustees Award (First in Class Rank)  
Phi Beta Kappa  
History Department Merit Award  
Jeffrey Cole Excellence Award  
Jeffrey Cole International Studies Scholarship

### BAR ADMISSIONS

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

### PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

American Bar Association  
BC Law Alumni Association, Detroit Chapter – President  
Michigan Defense Trial Counsel – Amicus Committee and  
Appellate Section Co-Chair  
Oakland County Bar Association  
State Bar of Michigan – Litigation, Appellate,  
Insurance/Indemnity, and Negligence Sections

### RECENT PRESENTATIONS

"Police Reports and Witness Statements Therein: A Dual Level Hearsay Challenge," *Negligence Law Quarterly*, Spring 2017  
"Primer on Federal Interlocutory Appeals," *Negligence Law Quarterly*, Winter 2015  
"Precluding the Production of Sensitive Documents," *MDTC Quarterly*, Vol. 30, No. 1



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