

**Gary M. Saretsky**  
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**Gary's practice is litigation oriented, concentrating in the areas of securities, commercial, insurance and employment litigation.**

The Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory has awarded Gary its highest legal ability and ethical standards rating (AV – very high to preeminent). He has for the past 15 years been selected a “Michigan Super Lawyer” (a publication which identifies the top 2.5% of practicing attorneys in each state as selected by their peers), and he has annually been named a Top Lawyer by DBusiness Magazine (only 17 of Michigan’s 41,000 lawyers were named as a Top Lawyer in the area of Securities Law.) Gary is also a Senior Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America, a highly selective, invitation-only honorary society of trial lawyers comprised of fewer than one-half of 1% of American lawyers.

The FINRA Institute at Wharton has conferred upon Gary the designation of Certified Regulatory and Compliance Professional (CRCP). This well-regarded residential program at The Wharton School focuses on legal and compliance issues confronting the securities, investment advisory, and insurance industries. Gary’s CRCP designation uniquely qualifies him to consult with, advise and represent broker-dealers, investment advisers, and insurance professionals in challenging litigation, arbitration, and regulatory proceedings.

Gary has defended more than 1,000 securities, commercial, and employment lawsuits and arbitration claims, and he regularly advises and represents clients in matters before federal and state regulators. Gary is also a frequent presenter at industry conferences such as the Midwest Securities Law Institute and the Independent Broker Dealers Conference. He is a certified arbitrator and mediator for FINRA and the AAA, and privately mediates a wide range of business disputes, including FINRA arbitration claims and business break-ups.

Gary’s “track record” of success as a litigator is outstanding. Results are an absolute priority for Gary, whether he is defending an alleged sales practice violation, handling a recruitment or restrictive covenant dispute, or working with (and if need be, against) regulators to help a client obtain or preserve their registration. The regulatory world has become increasingly threatening and contentious for financial and insurance professionals, and Gary’s experience and relationships with regulators benefit his clients.

Gary has a national practice, with a concentration in the Midwest. Gary is admitted to practice law in 9 states: Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Colorado, Texas and Arizona. He is also admitted to practice before numerous United States District Courts throughout the Midwest, the United States Courts of Appeals for the Sixth and Eleventh Circuits, and the United States Supreme Court.

As a founding shareholder of the firm, Gary is proud that Saretsky Hart Michaels + Gould offers something refreshing and unique to clients. The firm’s office reflects a fresh and creative vision. The firm has a clear sense of purpose and laser focus. Instead of attempting to be “all things to all people,” the firm embraces the idea that the modern practice of law demands the highest level of specialization to meet clients’ needs. The firm’s roster of representative clients is enviable, and the firm has grown organically. Knowing that every law firm’s most precious resource is its human capital, the firm invests in the professional development of its lawyers through an extensive training and mentoring program. The end result is that Saretsky Hart Michaels + Gould is known for delivering outstanding, value-driven client services, as well as offering lawyers a collaborative, harmonious, supportive team work environment.

Gary graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts degree (with high distinction) in 1977. While in Ann Arbor, he was the recipient of the William J. Branstrom Freshman Prize and he was a James B. Angell Scholar, and Gary is currently a Member of the Advisory Board to the University’s “Michigan in Washington” Program. Gary graduated from the Wayne State University Law School in Detroit, Michigan in 1980. He was Vice Chancellor of the school’s Moot Court Program. Prior to founding Saretsky Hart Michaels + Gould, Gary was a principal shareholder in Hertz, Schram & Saretsky, P.C.

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**EDUCATION**

B.A., UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (WITH HIGH DISTINCTION), 1977

J.D., WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, 1980

CRCP, FINRA INSTITUTE AT WHARTON  
(THE WHARTON SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA), 2010

**ADMISSIONS**

ARIZONA  
COLORADO  
ILLINOIS  
INDIANA  
MICHIGAN  
MINNESOTA  
OHIO  
TEXAS  
WISCONSIN

**INTERESTS**

FOREIGN TRAVEL  
MODERN ART COLLECTING  
FOOD ENTHUSIAST  
ELEVATED TAILGATING

**HONORS & AWARDS**

WILLIAM J. BRANSTROM FRESHMAN PRIZE

JAMES B. ANGELL SCHOLAR

LITIGATION COUNSEL OF AMERICA SENIOR FELLOW

SUPER LAWYER – MICHIGAN SUPER LAWYERS MAGAZINE

TOP LAWYERS IN METRO DETROIT – DBUSINESS MAGAZINE

CRAIN'S TOP ATTORNEY – CRAIN'S DETROIT BUSINESS

MARTINDALE-HUBBELL LAW DIRECTORY, AV RATING

**COMMUNITY**

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, MICHIGAN IN WASHINGTON  
PROGRAM – ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

TAMARACK CAMPS – ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE, COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL –  
ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

