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Michele H. Himstedt is an associate in MWM's award-winning litigation group focusing her practice on complex commercial litigation matters and employment disputes.

Michele supports clients in all phases of litigation through drafting dispositive motions, arguing discovery motions, depositions, trial, and appeals. Michele has significant courtroom experience, which was built primarily from her experience with temporary restraining orders and temporary injunctions. Michele also has experience with anti-SLAPP motions ("Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation") which aim to protect a citizen's First Amendment rights, and may result in immediate dismissal of claims and the recovery of attorney's fees. Michele is at her best when the stakes are high, and the pressure is on. Prior to joining MWM, Michele worked with a boutique Dallas firm handling complex commercial litigation and employment matters.

Michele clerked for the Honorable Reed O'Connor in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. She received her J.D. from Baylor Law School, *cum laude*, where she was the Executive Business Editor of the Baylor Law Review. Michele was the captain of her Division 1 soccer team at the University of Central Arkansas, where she also graduated *magna cum laude* in Sociology-Criminology and Communications.

Experience

- Secured a temporary injunction against a former associate of a national boutique employment firm for theft of trade secrets and confidential information.
- Represented clients in defamation lawsuits, including filing anti-SLAPP motions to dismiss which resulted in outright dismissals of defamation lawsuits and collection of attorney's fees from the Plaintiff.
- Secured a temporary injunction against the City of Dallas's enforcement of its ban on residential short-term rentals.
- Represented a global bank in a lawsuit against former executives; secured a temporary injunction against those former executives for theft of trade secrets.
- Obtained summary judgment in a breach of commercial lease matter resulting in a \$150k judgment.
- Successfully defeated an application for a temporary injunction on behalf of a global energy company seeking to limit public access to its premises after a fatal incident, pending the completion of agency investigations.

Focus Areas

Commercial Litigation

Appellate

Employment Litigation

Trade Secret Litigation

High Stakes Litigation

Education

Baylor Law School, JD, 2020

cum laude

Baylor Law Review – Executive Business Editor

Dean's List, 2018 - 2020

University of Central Arkansas, BS, 2017

Sociology-Criminology and Communications

magna cum laude

Associations & Memberships

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers

Dallas Women Lawyers Association

Dallas Bar Association

Attorneys Serving the Community

Federalist Society

Honors & Awards

- Latino Lawyers to Keep on the Watch, Latino Leaders Magazine
2024

Bar Admissions

Texas, 2020

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas

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