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## Butzel Adds Trial Lawyer in Firm's Grand Rapids Office

### Firm News

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. – **Butzel** recently added attorney **Christopher J. Zdarsky** as a shareholder in the firm's Grand Rapids office. He is a trial lawyer who represents businesses and individuals—including trustees and other fiduciaries—who are involved in complex business disputes. He supports clients at all stages of a business conflict, beginning with counseling clients before disputes arise, then devising and implementing litigation and trial strategies, and navigating appeals and judgment enforcements when necessary.

For more than a decade, Zdarsky has litigated commercial disputes including cases involving breach of contract, implied contract claims, shareholder oppression, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, conversion, and other business torts.

In addition to regularly appearing in state and federal courts throughout Michigan and Illinois, national law firms trust Zdarsky to serve as local and co-counsel in business disputes in Michigan. His experience extends to several subject areas, including insurance coverage, real estate, probate, employment, construction, municipal law, zoning and land use, and financial services.

Zdarsky has served as a faculty member for the Hillman Trial Advocacy Program, an annual program sponsored by the Federal Bar Association of the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan.

He has been named to *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Commercial Litigation, Litigation–Banking and Finance – 2024, Michigan *Super Lawyers Rising Stars* – Business Litigation – 2020–2023, *Grand Rapids Magazine Top Lawyer*, Litigation – Commercial – 2023, and Illinois *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*, Business Litigation – 2014–2018.

### Related People

Christopher J. Zdarsky  
Shareholder

### Related Services

Alternative Dispute Resolution  
(ADR)

Appellate Law

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Litigation and Dispute  
Resolution

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Zdarsky graduated from Chicago-Kent College of Law, *cum laude*, where he was a member of the college's nationally ranked trial advocacy team and was a national semi-finalist for the American Bar Association's annual trial competition. He earned a B.A. in Journalism & Mass Communication and Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.