# Michael Aigen

### PARTNER

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Clients rely on Michael to deftly resolve their complex business disputes. They value his extensive courtroom experience at the trial and appellate level.

Michael thrives on managing complicated commercial disputes that arise in and out of the boardroom. His clients include commercial lenders, bondholders, investment managers, construction companies, and financial institutions.

With a firm grasp of the myriad of legal and fiduciary responsibilities of his clients, Michael has considerable experience representing their interests against claims of fraud and breach of fiduciary duty. He has not only obtained favorable outcomes for his clients at the trial court level, but has also made sure that those wins survived appeal.

### EXPERIENCE

Michael's successful arguments at the summary judgment stage helped his client avoid trial on \$215 million fraud and breach of fiduciary duty claims brought by investors related to the winddown of a hedge fund. Michael also ensured that the dismissal was upheld on appeal.

#### **PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES**

Business Litigation Securities Litigation, Arbitration &

Enforcement Actions

Structured Finance & RMBS Litigation

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Texas

U.S. District Court Northern District of Texas

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

#### **EDUCATION**

The George Washington University Law School, J.D., with honors

• The George Washington Law Review, Published Member

Tufts University, B.S., graduated with honors

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Steeped in the legal and financial issues facing the holders of \$30 million in unsecured bonds, he argued that his clients were misled by false oil-reserve estimates and negotiated a favorable settlement on their behalf.

Michael went to trial on behalf of a commercial lender, obtaining a \$66 million judgment against a borrower that defaulted on a \$50 million loan.

In addition to his practice, Michael gives back to his community as a volunteer youth hockey coach and advisory board member of a nonprofit veterinary clinic that serves animal rescue groups.

## RECOGNITIONS

Recognized by his peers in *D Magazine* as one of the best lawyers in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex Under 40

AV Preeminent/High Ethical Standing Martindale-Hubbell rating

## **PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

Mazie's Mission, a nonprofit veterinary clinic that serves animal rescue organizations, Board Advisory Member

Dallas Stars Metro Hockey League, Volunteer Coach

