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Overview

David represents clients in the construction, health care, and insurance industries in breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, indemnification, and subrogation actions among others.

David has also represented clients in the banking, technology, and food production industries in various civil cases, including breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, negligence, and securities actions, as well as clients in the food service and manufacturing industries in employment litigation and employment counseling matters. He has assisted in all parts of litigation practice, including serving as second-chair counsel in a jury trial, briefing and arguing an appeal before the Ohio Eighth District Court of Appeals, taking depositions, conducting written discovery, and arguing pretrial motions.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- University of Michigan Law School, 2015, J.D.
 - Dean's Scholarship
- University of Michigan, 2013, B.A., Philosophy
 - High Honors

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

Awards & Recognition

- Listed, *The Best Lawyers®* Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; 2022-2026
- Listed, Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars, 2023-2026
- Named to The National Black Lawyers Association’s “Top 40 Under 40” Attorneys in Ohio List, 2022

News & Insights

- [48 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2026 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
January 27, 2026 | Press Releases
- [Benesch Secures Major Trial Victory for Professional Bull Riders in High-Profile Bankruptcy Dispute](#)
November 3, 2025 | Press Releases
- [129 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2026 Best Lawyers® Rankings](#)
August 21, 2025 | Press Releases
- [Benesch and ADL Sue Cafe for Discriminating Against Jewish Customer](#)
February 27, 2025 | Press Releases
- [49 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2025 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars](#)
December 17, 2024 | Press Releases
- [132 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Best Lawyers® Rankings](#)
August 14, 2024 | Press Releases
- [41 Benesch Attorneys Selected to 2024 Ohio Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists](#)
December 31, 2023 | Press Releases
- [Best Lawyers in America® Rankings 2024](#)
August 17, 2023 | Press Releases
- [Dave Hopkins quoted in OutSmart Media | "Federal Court Upholds Trans-Inclusive Restroom Policy in Ohio School District"](#)
August 8, 2023 | Media Mentions
- [David M. Hopkins quoted in Cleveland.com | "Cultivating Justice - Celebrating Law Day with Service: David M. Hopkins"](#)
May 3, 2023 | Media Mentions