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When complicated, high-stakes litigation threatens their business goals, companies and their boards rely on Michelle for strategic and efficient solutions.

As Co-Chair of the Minneapolis Trial Group, Michelle focuses on complex health care and securities litigation. Michelle has successfully represented corporate clients in dozens of class actions and other complex litigation in federal and state courts as well as arbitration throughout the United States.

Michelle has been recognized by Chambers USA as one of “America’s Leading Business Lawyers,” listed in Best Lawyers in America, and recognized as a “Future Star” by Benchmark Litigation.

Select Experience

- Represented a claims administrator in two separate putative class actions brought by members challenging certain pharmacy benefits. In one action, Michelle led the case team in filing a successful motion to dismiss plaintiffs’ state law and RICO claims and then later defeated class certification and won summary judgment on plaintiffs’ ERISA claims. In the second action, Michelle led the team in filing a successful motion for summary judgment on plaintiff’s ERISA and RICO claims.
- Represented health insurance company and over 250 self-funded employee benefit plans and employer sponsors in a mass action brought by a group of surgery centers challenging reimbursement rates and medical necessity determinations and in asserting counterclaims for fraud.
- *New York State Psychiatric Association v. UnitedHealth Group*: Obtained dismissal of putative class action by medical association, providers and participants alleging violations of the Affordable Care Act and the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act.
- *In re Medtronic, Inc. Shareholder Litigation*: Represented board in lawsuit seeking to enjoin Medtronic’s proposed acquisition of Covidien. Injunction denied and case dismissed.

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D., 2001)
 - *cum laude*
- University of Wisconsin (B.A., Political Science, Economics, 1998)
 - with distinction

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota

Professional Affiliations

- Children's Law Center – Board of Directors
- Minnesota Women Lawyers – former Director and Committee Chair
- Federal Bar Association, Member
- Minnesota State Bar Association, Member
- Hennepin County Bar Association, Member

Accolades

- *Chambers USA*, Litigation: General Commercial, Minnesota, 2019-2026
- *Minnesota Lawyer*, Legal 250, 2026
- MSBA, North Star Lawyer, 2012, 2018-2019, 2025
- *Minnesota Monthly*, "Top Lawyers in Minnesota," 2024
- *Minnesota Lawyer*, "The POWER 30: Business Litigation," 2024
- *Benchmark Litigation*, "Future Star," 2021-2022, 2024
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, 2020-2021
- *Benchmark Litigation*, "Litigation's Under 40 Hot List", 2016-2018
- *Minnesota Super Lawyers*®, "Rising Star," 2006-2008, 2010-2017

Select Presentations

- "Death, Taxes and M&A Litigation: How to Prepare for the Inevitable," Dorsey & Whitney LLP Corporate Counsel Symposium, CLE presentation (October 2012)
- "Social Media in Civil Litigation," CLE presentation (November 19, 2010)
- "Tort Reform: Is the World Flattening," Dorsey & Whitney LLP Corporate Counsel Symposium, CLE presentation (November 2008)
- "Ask the Expert: E-Discovery," 4-part webinar for Electric Cooperative Bar association (2007)

Insights

February 4, 2022

UnitedHealth Units Beat ERISA Drug Overcharge Claim

November 21, 2018

Meet the two women overseeing Dorsey's litigation team

June 15, 2018

Dorsey Partner Michelle Grant Comments on Stacking Class Actions Ruling

