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Michael Heyse is Counsel at Goodell DeVries and a member of the firm's Appellate Practice Group.

Mike is an experienced litigator. Before joining the firm, he was Senior Litigation Counsel at the United States Department of Justice, where he focused on federal immigration appeals. He handled all stages of petitions for review of administrative agency decisions before federal circuit courts across the country. He has drafted over 350 briefs, delivered 99 oral arguments, and served as lead counsel on a national class action immigration-related matter.

Mike is a former adjunct professor at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, where he taught first-year law students written and oral advocacy skills, including trial memo and brief drafting skills, as well as oral argument delivery tactics.

Practice Areas

Appellate

Admissions

- Maryland
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Nevada

- United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- United States Supreme Court

Education

- University of Maryland School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 2006)
 - William P. Cunningham Award for Exceptional Achievements and Service (May 2006)
 - Moot Court Board Member
 - o President/Magister, Phi Delta Phi Honors Fraternity
 - Teaching Fellow for School's Legal Analysis and Writing course
 - Summer Law Intern Program Participant and Legal Extern for the United States Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, National Criminal Enforcement Section (May 2005-May 2006)
- University of North Carolina (B.A., 2000)
 - Dean's List (Fall 1998-Spring 2000)
 - North Carolina Student Legislature, Member (September 1998-March 2000)
 - D.H. Carlisle Award for Outstanding Service and Dedication (March 2000)
 - Lieutenant Governor (March 1999-March 2000)

Professional Experience

- U.S. Department of Justice Senior Litigation Counsel, GS 15-10 (2007-2025)
- University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Adjunct Law Professor, Written and Oral Advocacy (2016-2017)
- The Honorable Stuart Berger, Circuit Court for Baltimore City – Judicial Law Clerk (2006-2007)
- State Your Gear Founder, Owner and Operator (2014-Present)

Community Activities

- Pro Bono Litigation (2002-Present)
- Porsche Club of America (2006-Present)
- University of Maryland Baltimore School of Law Moot Court Outside Competition Team Coach (2013-Present)
- Little League Baseball Coach (2022)

- First Tee of Baltimore Young Professionals Board Member (2016-2020)
- American Red Cross (2017-2020)
- Congressional Award Foundation (2001-2014)
- UMBC Moot Court Judge (2014)
- George Washington University School of Law Moot Court Judge (2012)

Publications and Seminars

 Co-presenter with M. Peggy Chu, "What to Do When ICE Arrives: Stay Cool and Be Prepared," Mid Atlantic Society for Healthcare Risk Management (MASHRM) (June 18, 2025)