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Practice Areas

Litigation
Business and Corporate Law
Wills Trusts and Estates

Biography

Michael Pidgeon is an attorney in the firm's business and corporate law; wills, trusts and estates law; and litigation practice groups.

Mr. Pidgeon has extensive experience representing clients in matters involving business litigation. Some of his recent cases include:

- disputes between shareholders and members of closely held businesses, including claims for fraud and breach of fiduciary duty
- enforcement and defense of employment restrictive covenants, claims of theft of trade secrets, breach of confidentiality obligations, and other related claims
- cases arising from commercial leases on behalf of landlords and tenants with respect to shopping centers, office buildings, warehouses, and other commercial space
- real estate cases including claims to quiet title, for partition and other equitable actions
- matters stemming from franchise and distributor relationships, including the New Jersey Franchise Practices Act
- copyright and trademark actions in federal court

Mr. Pidgeon has significant appellate experience in state and federal court in connection with his business litigation practice.

Mr. Pidgeon also appears in Orphans' Court in Pennsylvania and the Chancery Division, Probate Part in New Jersey for probate matters including:

- will contests based on claims of undue influence, lack of capacity, and other challenges to the probate of wills
- allegations of breach of fiduciary duty and fraud against executors, trustees, and powers of attorney, and actions to remove those fiduciaries
- representation of creditors to estates and enforcing their rights during the probate process
- applications to the court in connection with insolvent estates

Mr. Pidgeon also has an active estate planning practice where he advises clients according to their specific estate planning needs. He routinely drafts documents such as wills and powers of attorney. He also administers estates and acts as executor and administrator, especially with respect to estates subject to disputes, litigation and other complications.

For more than a decade, Mr. Pidgeon practiced law in New

Jersey. He continues to actively represent clients in that jurisdiction.

Memberships

Mr. Pidgeon is a member of the Bucks County Bar Association (Pennsylvania) and the Mercer County Bar Association (New Jersey).

Bar Admission

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Education

Mr. Pidgeon is a graduate of Washington & Lee University and received his J.D. from its law school. He also obtained a Certificate in Estate Planning from Temple University, James E. Beasley School of Law.

Clerkship Experience

Mr. Pidgeon served as a law clerk to the Honorable Neil H. Shuster, P.J.Ch. in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, General Equity Part.

Honors and Awards

- Selected by peers for inclusion *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers* magazine as a Rising Star, 2018 - present.
- Selected by peers for inclusion *New Jersey Super Lawyers* magazine as a Rising Star, 2014 - 2017.

Volunteer and Community Work

Mr. Pidgeon is currently the Secretary of the Board of Trustees for the Mayor's Cup Championship, a multi-race event staged yearly in Philadelphia with the object of raising money for charity. He previously served on the board of VolunteerConnect, Inc. located in Princeton, New Jersey.