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Mark Saudek handles a broad range of complex commercial litigation and general civil litigation in federal courts and administrative tribunals, as well as in the state courts for Maryland and the District of Columbia. His wide-ranging litigation practice focuses on commercial contract disputes, business torts, noncompetition, trade secret, intellectual property, estate and trust, and fiduciary disputes. Mark also has extensive experience litigating and counseling clients in employment-related matters, including defending against class actions and FLSA collective actions. He has significant experience conducting internal investigations and representing court-appointed monitors and receivers in matters concerning hundreds of millions of dollars. He is a Certified Electronic Discovery Specialist. In 2015, Mark was recognized by *The Daily Record* as a Leadership in Law award winner. He is recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* for Commercial Litigation and Labor and Employment Litigation, and was recognized by *Baltimore Magazine* as a Top Lawyer for Commercial Litigation in 2026.

Mark engages in extensive pro bono work including handling civil rights and constitutional law cases involving the First, Fifth, Eighth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the US Constitution.

From 1995 to 1996, Mark served as law clerk to the Honorable Catherine C. Blake of the United States District Court for the District of Maryland. Before law school, Mark taught high

school English and Economics, and coached soccer, wrestling, and lacrosse.

Articles and Presentations

- “Trade Secrets: Protecting the Crown Jewels of Your Client’s Business” Maryland State Bar Association Legal Summit, June 2025
- Author, “December 1, 2010 Amendments to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26 and 56,” Federal Bar Association-Maryland Chapter, December 2010

Civic and Charitable Service

- Baltimore Museum of Art, Board of Trustees (2023-present)
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland Bench-Bar Liaison Committee
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland Pro Bono Lawyers Appointment Committee, Chair
- Open Doors to the Federal Court Program, Co-Chair
- The Loading Dock, President, Board of Directors
- Maryland Public Interest Law Project, former Board Member
- Moses Brown School Tutoring Program, Founder
- Teach for America – Baltimore, former Board Member
- U.S. Lacrosse Youth Rules Committee
- Cardinal Crease Club Foundation (supporting Calvert Hall lacrosse), Board Member
- FCA Maryland Lacrosse

Background

Area(s) of Practice

- **Appellate**
- **Employment**
- **Health Law**
- **Investigations**
- **Litigation**

Court Admission

- District of Columbia Courts
- Maryland State Courts
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland
- United States Supreme Court

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland

Education

- University of Maryland School of Law, JD, 1995, with honors
- Wesleyan University, BA, 1989, with honors

Bar and Professional Memberships

- American Bar Association
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Federal Bar Association-Maryland, President
- Foundation of the Federal Bar Association, Fellow
- Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference, Permanent Member
- Maryland State Bar Association
- Wranglers Law Club

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