

## Joseph F. Galvin

### SERVICE AREAS

#### Business

- Real Estate
  - Workouts + Foreclosures

#### Litigation + Trial

- Eminent Domain
- Land Use/Zoning
- Workouts + Foreclosures
- Litigation + Trial Practice Overview

### EDUCATION

- Wayne State University Law School, J.D.
- Michigan State University, B.A.

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Michigan



### Principal

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Joseph F. Galvin is a trial lawyer with particular expertise and experience in all aspects of litigation related to real estate, zoning and land use, environmental, and municipal issues. He was the co-author with Miller Canfield colleague LeRoy L. Asher Jr. of a chapter on zoning in "Local Government Law and Practice in Michigan," published jointly by the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys in 2000.

*"You must be tough, tenacious and well prepared to serve the clients' best interests."*

Joseph F. Galvin

### EXPERIENCE

Joseph helped a client obtain the sale of its interest in the Mall of America near Minneapolis at a multimillion-dollar sales price, helped another defend its water and sewer connection charges against a constitutional attack which would have prevented new building in Genesee County, and helped a third client build a mega-church in Plymouth Township in the face of fierce homeowner opposition.

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American Bar Association, Litigation Section; Probate & Property Section; Governmental Contracts Section
- State Bar of Michigan, Property Law Section
- Oakland County Bar Association
- Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Michigan Real Law Section; Committee on Mortgages and Related Financing Devices and Security Interests
- Institute of Continuing Legal Education: Michigan Zoning and Planning, Chairman 2001-2008

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### HONORS + AWARDS

- Best Lawyers in America, Land Use + Zoning Law, Litigation-Municipal, and Litigation-Real Estate 2006-present; 2011 Detroit Municipal Lawyer of the Year; 2012 Detroit Municipal Litigation Lawyer of the Year
- Michigan Super Lawyers, Litigation 2006-present
- DBusiness Magazine, Top Lawyers, Land Use & Zoning and Real Estate 2011

### CIVIC, CULTURAL + SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Wayne State University, Past President, Alumni Association
- Detroit Zoological Society
- Oakland University School of Nursing, Chairman, Board of Visitors
- Incorporated Society of Irish-American Lawyers
- American Museum of Natural History
- Detroit Institute of Arts, Founders' Society

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Detroit Mercy Law School, Adjunct Professor
- Wayne State University Law School, Adjunct Professor
- Federal Bar Association, Advocacy Training Program

### PUBLICATIONS

Coauthor of "Michigan Zoning, Planning and Land Use," Institute of Continuing Legal Education, 2008

Coauthor with LeRoy L. Asher Jr. of chapter on "Zoning," in Local Government Law and Practice in Michigan, published jointly by the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys, 2000

### SPEECHES

Presenter, "The New Contract Zoning Legislation in Michigan: Is Your Community Ready?" Seminar sponsored by McKenna Associates and Miller Canfield, Grand Valley State University, L.V. Eberhard Center, Grand Rapids, Michigan, August 2005



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Institute of Continuing Legal Education

Michigan Society of Planning Officials

Financial Transactions Institution

### NEWS

- 11 Miller Canfield Lawyers named "Best Lawyers of the Year"
- Miller Canfield's Joseph F. Galvin Named Detroit's "Municipal Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers