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Services

Finance, Corporate, Commercial / Corporate Litigation, Class Action,

Michael Scardato is a South Carolina native who grew up in Rochester, New York and has practiced law in South Carolina since 1978. His practice concentrates on civil litigation matters. While the majority of his cases have settled, he has had vast experience in trying cases before Federal and State Court juries, as well as handling non-jury and arbitration cases to verdict. He has handled cases in areas such as contract disputes, construction litigation, environmental claims, real estate-related litigation, insurance coverage litigation, product liability, premises liability, automotive liability, and medical malpractice. He has practiced in the South Carolina and Federal trial and appellate courts.

Publications

- McNair Establishes Hurricane Matthew Legal Assistance Team

Education

J.D., University of South Carolina, (1978)

Licensed In

South Carolina

Admitted In

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
U.S. District Court – South Carolina

Honors & Awards

- *Best Lawyers in America*, "Lawyer of the Year," Litigation-Real Estate - Charleston (2014)
- *Best Lawyers in America* (2013-2020)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent™ Peer Rated Lawyer

- Member, Editorial Staff, South Carolina Law Review (1976-1978)
- 2002 Merit Selection Panel Member, United States Magistrate Judge applicants

Professional Associations

Member, American Bar Association
Member, South Carolina Bar Association
Member, Charleston County Bar Association
Member, The Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference
Member, American Association for Justice
Charleston School of Law Moot Court Judge, 2007

Experience

- Won \$1.3 million award for manufacturing client for faulty Enterprise Resource Program (ERP) software
- Defeated class action claim against soil anchor manufacturer which has been affirmed on appeal
- Defeated multi-million dollar claim against a Prime Contractor by a Subcontractor. This was a jury verdict in federal court which was affirmed on appeal
- Obtained zero allocation of response costs for multinational corporate defendant in environmental contribution action concerning Superfund Site
- Successfully vacated default judgment against product manufacturer in wrongful death and survival action case
- Successfully settled wrongful death and survival action claims; and personal injury claims

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