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David L. Hansen

Associate | Boston, MA

Dave's practice focuses on helping his clients resolve a wide range of employment disputes and business disputes. His employment law matters include discrimination claims, wage and hour claims, and the enforcement of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements. On the business litigation side, Dave's cases include shareholder disputes between owners of small businesses, contract disputes, construction litigation, commercial landlord-tenant claims, commercial real estate litigation, and numerous other kinds of business disputes.

Lawsuits are a drain on a company's resources and Dave's primary focus with any dispute is to reach a satisfactory resolution efficiently so the business may focus its resources on its strategic goals. He has extensive experience representing clients in various state and federal courts, as well as other means of dispute resolution including mediation and arbitration.

Before joining Sheehan Phinney, Dave served as a law clerk to the Justices of the Superior Court in Massachusetts, which provided him a unique opportunity to work directly with judges and gain an in depth understanding of the judicial process. This experience is applied in every case at each stage of the litigation in order to offer clients cost-effective solutions to complex legal problems.

Key Cases

- *Ortiz v. ExamWorks*: Obtained dismissal of a class action lawsuit, which was affirmed by the Supreme Judicial Court.
- *N.E. Carpenters Central Collection Agency v. LaBonte Drywall*: First Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a judgment for an employer against union welfare funds seeking to audit the employer.
- *Devine v. ROC USA, LLC*: Obtained dismissal of real estate broker's claims related to two multi-million dollar properties.

Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment
- Business Litigation
- Mediation & Arbitration



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Admissions

- Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- First Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

Education

- J.D., Suffolk University Law School, cum laude, International Law Certificate with Distinction
- B.A., University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude

Civic Involvement

- Committee Member, Greater Boston Chapter of the UMass Amherst Alumni Association
- UMass Amherst Alumni Association License Plate Task Force
- Student Mentor, Suffolk University Law School
- Volunteer, Boston Bar Association's M. Ellen Carpenter Financial Literacy Program

Awards

- Rising Star by New England Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation

Publications

Blood from a Stone? Making Sure Your Judgment Is Worth More Than the Paper It Is Printed On

Client Alert – Attorney General Issues Final Regulations under Massachusetts Earned Sick Time Law

The Massachusetts SJC Addresses the Attorney-Client Privilege in Closely Held Corporate Disputes