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**Mr. Asmar is a member of the Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution Practice Group. He represents clients involved in complex commercial litigation matters.**

Before joining Bodman, Mr. Asmar clerked for Justice Mary Beth Kelly of the Michigan Supreme Court. He has also worked for a Detroit-area litigation defense firm where he participated in a variety of cases involving civil rights, employment issues, commercial disputes, municipal liability, contractual claims, and constitutional claims.

Mr. Asmar serves on the Board of Directors of the Notre Dame Club of Detroit. He is a member of Michigan State University's Michigan Political Leadership Program Class of 2015. During law school, he received the CALI Award for Torts at the University of Miami Law School, which he attended for one year before transferring to the University of Notre Dame Law School. As an undergraduate at the University of Michigan, he served as President of the Chaldean American Student Association.

Mr. Asmar is the 2016 recipient of the Detroit Bar Association Barristers' Pro Bono Award. The award is given annually to an outstanding attorney who has practiced for fewer than ten years and who has made extraordinary accomplishments through his or her participation in pro bono activities.

### Honors, Awards, and Recognition

- Detroit Bar Association Barristers Pro Bono Award, 2016

### CIVIC, CULTURAL, AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Notre Dame Club of Detroit, Member, Board of Directors

### Pro Bono

- Iraqi Refugee Family Gains Permanent Residency  
An Iraqi family no longer felt it was safe to remain in

### practices & industries

Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Appellate Law  
Data Privacy and Security  
Aviation Law and Finance

### education

University of Notre Dame Law School, J.D.  
University of Michigan, B.A.

### admissions

Michigan

their home country because of their religious beliefs. After facing years of persecution, imprisonment, and even torture, the family's patriarch earned his education and sought visas for his family, hoping to find work in the United States. The family applied for and received asylum, but hoped to earn permanent residency in the country. The process involved completing applications for each of the five family members and gathering hundreds of pages of supporting documentation. With the firm's assistance, the family gained permanent residency.

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