

## Michael J. Sulaka

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**Michael J. Sulaka represents and advises clients involved in mergers and acquisitions, debt and equity financings, commercial transactions, strategic management decisions, and general corporate matters.**

Mr. Sulaka provides counsel to clients operating within all phases of the business life cycle: including formation, operation, growth, valuation, and exit. He routinely handles intellectual property and tax matters for his client base, which includes executives, business owners, and finance professionals.

Before joining Bodman, Mr. Sulaka was a partner at another southeast Michigan law firm where he represented and counseled small and mid-sized businesses and nonprofit organizations on corporate law matters and practiced real estate, tax, and intellectual property law. Prior to that, he worked as a tax consultant at an industry-leading international accounting and consulting firm developing and optimizing tax strategies for global multinational enterprises.

During his graduate studies at the University of Detroit Mercy, Mr. Sulaka earned his J.D./MBA with concentrations in corporate law, strategy and management and externed as a law clerk for Justice David F. Viviano at the Supreme Court of Michigan. In addition, he was elected President of the Arab and Chaldean Law Student Association for two terms, during which he spearheaded the school's first-ever Diversity Leadership Conference. Dedicated to community enrichment, Mr. Sulaka currently serves as the Executive Director at *Love*, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that connects diverse individuals and communities through fashion, art, athletics, and music culture.

### Honors, Awards, and Recognition

- *Michigan Rising Stars 2019*, Mergers & Acquisitions
- *DBusiness Magazine "Top Lawyers" 2019-2020*, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, Nonprofit/Charities Law



### practices & industries

Business  
Emerging Companies and  
Venture Capital  
Intellectual Property  
Real Estate  
Tax

### languages

Arabic  
Chaldean

### education

Boston University School of  
Law, LL.M., Taxation

University of Detroit Mercy  
School of Law, J.D.

University of Detroit Mercy  
College of Business, M.B.A.

University of Michigan,  
Stephen M. Ross School of  
Business, B.B.A.

### admissions

Michigan

11/01/2019

70 Bodman Attorneys Included in DBusiness Top Lawyers  
2020

09/03/2019

49 Bodman Attorneys Listed in Michigan Super Lawyers  
2019