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COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Since our firm's inception, we have represented every kind of business, from small, closely held companies to Fortune 500 companies in every kind of case, from commercial real estate disputes to alleged securities fraud to fights among business partners.



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We have litigated, arbitrated, and mediated cases from New York to California. Our team is experienced and cost-effective, staffing cases appropriately and focusing on strategically important issues. As experienced litigators, we also help avoid litigation. We can assist you before the need for litigation arises so you can focus on business, not lawsuits.



Brown, Goldstein & Levy LLP



**AMERICAN COLLEGE
OF TRIAL LAWYERS**

American Academy
of Appellate Lawyers



Our commercial litigation experience spans a broad spectrum

We take pride in getting to know our clients and telling their stories in understandable and persuasive ways. Our attorneys are routinely recognized for their commercial litigation practices

by the leading industry publications and organizations, including *Chambers*, *Super Lawyers*, *Best Lawyers*, *Lawdragon*, the *American College of Trial Lawyers*, and *Litigation Counsel of America*.

BGL's deep experience allows us to go toe-to-toe with the world's largest law firms, and our small size means we can work with our clients to reach successful outcomes in a cost-efficient manner.

Contract Disputes

Contracts are the backbone of commerce, and an enterprise's success often hinges on a careful interpretation of a contract's language. From supply agreements to management services agreements to non-competition and non-solicitation agreements, we have an extensive record of successfully representing plaintiffs and defendants in contract disputes.

Successfully represented a management services company in arbitration for breach of contract by a medical cannabis growing, processing, and retail business, with damages valued in excess of \$25 million (2020).

Negotiated repayment in full of \$1 million investment in a start-up company, plus interest and attorneys' fees.

Successfully defended a commercial tenant at trial in a breach of lease case worth more than \$8 million.

Fraud and Complex Litigation

Not every business dispute is born from a contract. Our commercial litigation team is skilled at prosecuting and defending business fraud and other complex cases, including trade secrets claims and claims under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), by marshaling facts and developing compelling narratives for judges and juries.

Convinced federal bankruptcy court to dismiss fraud action against a pharmaceutical company.

Won dismissal of outside directors from suit for alleged securities fraud that ultimately settled for \$7.5 million against other defendants.

Won dismissal in trial court and successfully defended on appeal a fraud case brought against a Fortune 500 company by a former owner of a company subsidiary

Medical Industry and Insurance Disputes.

BGL regularly represents medical professionals and businesses in the medical and insurance-billing industries in ownership and governance disputes and in disputes with major insurance companies. When the need arises, we work closely with doctors, nurses, and other professional license holders to navigate not only litigation but also the regulatory system in Maryland to protect their continuing ability to practice.

Successfully represented a group of ambulatory surgery centers in defending a \$20 million lawsuit brought by a national insurance company alleging violations of RICO and ERISA and in prosecuting a counterclaim for over \$20 million of payments due for services provided to patients insured by the company.

Successfully represented healthcare technology business in fraud and ERISA litigation against major insurance company over billing for Covid tests during pandemic.

Cannabis

The speed at which the legal cannabis industry in Maryland has grown can present unique dispute resolution challenges. BGL represents businesses and individuals involved in the cultivation, processing, and distribution of cannabis in breach of contract actions, ownership, governance and management disputes, and financial disputes. BGL works with cannabis clients to understand the risks and rewards of litigation, arbitration, and mediation and helps them plot an efficient course to realize their business objectives.

Successfully represented a management services company in arbitration for breach of contract by a medical cannabis growing, processing, and retail business, with damages valued in excess of \$25 million (2020).

Represented owner of dispensary license in arbitration and litigation involving breach of contract, fraud, and RICO claims against multistate operator and its subsidiaries.

Represents multistate operator in multi-million-dollar litigation against dispensary owner for breach of consulting agreement.

Ownership and Governance Disputes

As businesses evolve, disagreements can arise among owners and with investors. These high-stakes disputes may stem from buyouts, mergers and acquisitions, dissolutions, shareholder claims, breaches of fiduciary duties, and finance arrangements. BGL works with businesses of all kinds, and their owners, to navigate these contentious circumstances.

Successfully petitioned to vacate confessed judgment against business and its owners worth more than \$8 million.

Represented minority investor in fight for control of a commercial real estate project worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

Successfully represented owner of pizza restaurant in dispute with co-owner and secured judgment for full value of client's attorneys' fees.

Local Counsel

BGL has a long record of helping out-of-state attorneys and clients navigate the state and federal courts in Maryland. Many of our attorneys are former law clerks for state and federal judges and we are actively involved in bar associations, including the Federal Bar Association and the Maryland State Bar Association, as well as bench-bar committees.

BGL's depth of experience, and continuing engagement with the courts, positions us well to serve as local counsel in all types of commercial litigation.

“Brown, Goldstein and Levy has provided vital support to my organization for many years. They are highly respected members of the legal community, with a range of expertise.”

- Laura Howell

“I was very pleased with the representation I received during my recent case. In addition to being very comfortable working with my legal team, their knowledge and experience was always evident to me.”

- Tina Jones

“Without the help of the entire law firm of Brown, Goldstein & Levy, my years long pending case would have fallen by the wayside. They agreed to take on my case and have pursued it with zeal. They are thorough, diligent, and highly professional. I am proud to be their client and highly recommend them.”

- Steve Pappas

“Everyone is professional, kind, courteous, extremely helpful, would definitely recommend them. Put everything into helping you and into your case. Can't recommend them enough.”

- Maryann Murad

A Note About Fees

BGL prides itself on working with its clients to find efficient and effective outcomes to litigation. In addition to hourly rates, BGL offers flexible fee arrangements including, when appropriate, hybrid fee agreements that combine reduced hourly rates with a risk-sharing component, contingent on obtaining a specified outcome.



Leading the Charge

Brown, Goldstein & Levy attorneys are guiding the discussion about today's top legal challenges in the courtroom, in the media, and at events across the country.



Monica Basche presented at 2024 NORML Key West Legal Seminar, sharing her expertise on the legal intersection of medical cannabis and disability discrimination.



Kevin Docherty attended 2024 Litigation Counsel of America Conference & Celebration of Fellows, alongside top litigators from across the country.

Greg Care quoted as legal authority by several media outlets on how the Trump administration could impact the FTC's rule banning most employment non-compete clauses.



"Worth its weight in gold" according to a client, BGL ranked highly in the 2025 Chambers USA guide.

13 BGL attorneys were named to Lawdragon's Leading Litigators in America guide for 2025.



Super Lawyers selected 17 BGL attorneys on their 2025 Maryland Super Lawyers and 2025 Maryland Rising Stars lists.



Texas federal court invalidates Federal Trade Commission's near total ban on employment non-compete clauses and another federal court weighs in.

Kevin Docherty selected by The Daily Record as one of Maryland's power players for their 2025 Business Law Power List.



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