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Named to The American Lawyer's "Litigators of the Week"

Authored "Generative AI for Litigators" Article

Miles Orton is a trial lawyer who represents clients in high-stakes litigation and arbitration nationwide. He focuses on business disputes and commercial litigation matters, with deep experience representing health care providers in contract disputes. He is a go-to advocate for international companies facing litigation in the United States. Miles is focused on shaping the future of legal practice, advising clients on the responsible use of AI and leading research and deployment of AI products as a member of the firm's Technology Committee.

Before joining WTO, Miles honed his trial skills in the New York City and Paris offices of a global law firm, where he served on multiple trial teams, spanning billion-dollar disputes to leanly-

staffed arbitrations for multinational clients in health care, technology, financial services, mining, and aviation. He also completed a secondment at a global aerospace and defense company in Europe, giving him a first-hand understanding of how best to support high-impact in-house legal teams.

His personal interests include distance running, spending time with family, chess, and travel.

Credentials

Education

New York University School of Law, J.D., 2010

Claremont McKenna College, B.A., *cum laude*, 2007; Philosophy and Psychology

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Summer Law Clerk, U.S. Attorney's Office, District of Nevada

RECOGNITION

Legal Aid Society 2019 Pro Bono Publico Award
Recipient

ALM Media
2017 Transatlantic Litigation Team of the Year

The American Lawyer
2017 Global Dispute of the Year

Commitment to Justice Award
2015 Recipient

New York State Bar Association's Empire State Counsel Award
Recipient, 2012-2015

LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS

2020 Graduate of EDNY Mediator Incubator Program and Member of EDNY Mediation Panel

Law School...Yes We Can!
Program Mentor

AIJA

International Association of Young Lawyers

American Bar Association

Colorado Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

Faculty of Federal Advocates

BAR AND ADMISSIONS

Colorado
New York
U.S. Court of Appeals, 10th Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit
U.S. District Court, D. Colorado
U.S. District Court, E.D. New York
U.S. District Court, N.D. New York
U.S. District Court, S.D. New York

ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

Moderator and Panelist, "When AI is Manipulated, Not Hacked: Rethinking Security Law, Contracts, and Liability," 2026 MCCA Pathways Conference.

Panelist, "Ship Fast But Don't Get Sued: Navigating AI Legal Risk & Innovation for Colorado Startups," 2026 Colorado Startup Week and 2026 Denver Product Summit.

Moderator, "AI and Pricing in Litigation & Investigations," AIJA - International Association of Young Lawyers, 2026 Annual Congress.

Article, "Generative AI for Litigators: A Trial Lawyer's New Best Friend," Attorney at Work.

Article, "Colorado AI Act Enforcement: What Lawyers and Businesses Need to Know," Law.com.

Panelist, "Smart Resolutions: Leveraging AI in ADR Decision-Making, Advocacy, and Administration," Colorado Bar Association Annual ADR Conference.

Panelist and Moderator, "How GenAI is Reshaping In-House Counsel's Needs and Capabilities," AIJA - International Association of Young Lawyers, Annual Congress.

Presenter, “How to Safely Use AI to Excel in Law,” Faculty of Federal Advocates.

OTHER EXPERIENCES

Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP

Practices

Appellate
Commercial Litigation
Employment/Class Actions
Investigations
Mass Torts
Product Liability

Cases

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION & ARBITRATION

Won administrative action against Colorado state agencies challenging their misapplication of federal law to health care institutions.

Won complete dismissal of all claims against a third-party defendant bank in commercial litigation.

Won a jury verdict for an international polo star in a commercial dispute over the cloning and breeding of world champion polo horses.

Represented a major healthcare provider in a first-of-its-kind adjudicatory administrative action brought by the Colorado Division of Insurance, securing a complete dismissal of all four complaints in advance of the scheduled hearings.

Represented a telecom construction company in pursuing a shareholder and former employee for conversion, breach of contract, and breach of fiduciary duty based on post-acquisition wrongdoing, leading to a favorable settlement.

Represented a hospital in a contractual dispute with a group of service providers, leading to a favorable settlement.

Served on a seven-week trial team representing insolvency administrators of Nortel Group's European, Middle Eastern, and African affiliates in one of the largest cross-border insolvencies involving the division of $7.3 billion.

Represented various investment funds in sovereign debt litigation over Argentina's default, leading to favorable settlements.

Represented a transnational company in coordinating the defense of dozens of international arbitrations involving commercial contract claims.

Successfully defended an international client in a federal court action seeking to vacate an arbitration award in an international arbitration administered by the ICDR involving numerous fraudulent subsidiary companies.

Represented a transnational mineral products company in U.S. bankruptcy litigation.

Represented a pre-revenue company CEO in an SEC investigation and enforcement action.

WHITE COLLAR & INVESTIGATIONS

Conducted a multiyear anti-corruption compliance investigation of a major transnational company's relationships with hundreds of third parties and dozens of associated investment projects.

Led a due diligence review of a multinational European company's relationships with business partners in Southeast Asia.

In re MF Global Inc.: Conducted an internal investigation for the trustee for the liquidation of MF Global Inc. surrounding the events leading to the shortfall of customer property in preparation for court and U.S. congressional hearings.

Represented a finance executive in a criminal investigation of alleged marketing kickbacks.

PRODUCT LIABILITY

Represented a major pharmaceutical company against product liability claims in a multidistrict litigation, resulting in exclusion of unreliable plaintiffs' witness testimony and dismissal on summary judgment.

Represented international companies in various product liability litigation risk assessment and mitigation exercises.

EMPLOYMENT

Achieved a favorable settlement for an executive in an employment arbitration against the client's former company after winning enforcement of an indemnity agreement.

Represented a non-profit facing employment discrimination claims on several bases, winning a motion to dismiss all claims against individually-named defendants.

PRO BONO

Secured a settlement for a pro bono client who sued her landlord for wrongful eviction and breach of contract.

Represented pro bono clients in immigration, civil rights, family, housing, and criminal appellate litigation and administrative hearings.

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