

Peter M. Kellett

Member and Chair Emeritus

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Bar Admissions

Michigan, 1982

Court Admissions

United States Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit
U.S. District Court, Eastern District
of Michigan
U.S. District Court, Western
District of Michigan

Education

Wayne State University, J.D., *cum
laude*

- Order of the Coif

University of Michigan, B.A.

Peter M. Kellett was formerly Dykema's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from 2012 through 2020. Under Peter's leadership, Dykema expanded its footprint into Minneapolis and significantly grew throughout Texas and in Washington D.C., enhancing firm capabilities to serve clients and matters nationally.

His leadership in the Metropolitan Detroit business community is well-known. He serves as a member of the Downtown Detroit Partnership (DDP), whose mission is to advance the city of Detroit by driving engagement, development and programs that benefit businesses, residents and visitors throughout the Downtown's urban core. Peter is also a former member of the Detroit Economic Club Board of Directors. The DEC is a non-partisan, nonprofit organization committed to shaping a modern business environment through the free exchange of ideas and debate.

Peter is also a leader in promoting a more diverse and inclusive business culture and environment – not only at Dykema – but throughout the region. He is a member of the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees of New Detroit, an organization dedicated to removing racial barriers through economic equity, social justice, and racial understanding.

Before being elected Chairman and CEO, Peter was the Director of Dykema's Litigation Department. He focused his practice on class action, product liability and commercial litigation for some of the largest companies in the world. He is recognized annually for his litigation abilities by publications like Best Lawyers in America and Michigan Super Lawyers.

He is also known for his contributions to the legal community, as a Sustaining Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a life member of the Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference.

Before joining Dykema, Peter was a founding partner of Feeney, Kellett, Wiener & Bush. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and honors graduate of Wayne State University Law School, where he was admitted to the Order of the Coif.

Publications

"Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts, Chapter 114 - Partnership"
January 2017
Thomson Reuters

Peter M. Kellett (Cont.)

How Peter Kellett Took a Comprehensive Approach to Client Service at Dykema Gossett
January 2, 2013
Smart Business

News

Kellett, Cooney, Farrell and Kolozsvary Co-Author Chapter on Partnerships in ABA's *Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts, 4th Edition*
2017

Dykema Highlighted and Peter Kellett Quoted in *Am Law* Second Hundred Overview
June 1, 2016

Dykema Named to Honor Roll for Law Firms with Best Client Relationships in Industrial Manufacturing Industry
April 4, 2014

Peter Kellett Profiled in *Metropolitan Corporate Counsel*
March 10, 2014

Fifty-Nine Dykema Lawyers Named to 2013 Michigan *SuperLawyers*
September 5, 2013

Peter Kellett Profiled in Detroit Edition of *Smart Business*
February 13, 2013

Thirty-Four Dykema Attorneys Named "2013 Top Lawyers" by *DBusiness Magazine*
November 7, 2012

Memberships & Involvement

- American Bar Foundation, Sustaining Life Fellow
- Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference, Life Member
- American Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan
- Detroit Bar Association
- Oakland County Bar Association
- Local Rules Committee of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Former Member and Past-Chair
- Wayne Law School Board of Visitors, Past Member

Community/Civic Activities

Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (DEGC) and Detroit Economic Growth Association (DEGA), Past Member Board of Directors and Audit and Finance Committee

New Detroit: The Coalition Board of Trustees, Trustee

Detroit Economic Club Board of Directors, Past Board Member

Downtown Detroit Partnership, Board Member

Awards & Recognition

Named a Top Lawyer by *dbusiness Magazine* for Commercial Litigation, Mediation, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, Antitrust Litigation, and Securities Litigation, 2010-2017

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Named a Litigation Star by *Benchmark Litigation*, 2013-2020

Named as "Lawyer of the Year" for Securities Litigation by *The Best Lawyers in America*® in 2020

Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Commercial Litigation, Litigation - Antitrust, Litigation - Securities, Mediation, Product Liability Litigation - Defendants, 2005-Present Copyright 2015 by Woodward/White, Inc., Aiken, SC

Named a Michigan Leading Lawyer in the areas of Class Action/Mass Tort Defense and Commercial Litigation Law by the *Leading Lawyers Network*, 2014-2017. Law Bulletin Publishing Company

Recognized in *Michigan Super Lawyers*® for Class Action/Mass Torts: Defense, Business Litigation, Personal Injury - Products: Defense, 2007-Present

Recipient of an AV® Preeminent™ Rating by *Martindale-Hubbell*