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Associate

Vito is an associate in the firm's litigation and intellectual property groups. Vito focuses his practice on general commercial litigation and intellectual property litigation, including financial institutions related litigation, trademark infringement, trademark dilution, right of publicity, copyright, breach of contract, commercial foreclosure, and judgment enforcement. He also has experience in class action and automotive franchise litigation.

While in law school, Vito worked for the U.S. Attorney's Office – Eastern District of Michigan where he defended the government on federal habeas corpus claims and was a member of the Special Prosecutions Unit, which combated money laundering, public corruption, and organized crime.

Representative Clients

- Louis Vuitton Malletier, S.A.
- Moët Hennessy USA
- Volkswagen Group of America
- West Suburban Bank

Representative Matters

- Pro Bono: Iranian Political Asylum
Barack Ferrazzano attorneys succeeded in petitioning the U.S. Department of Justice Immigration Court to grant political asylum to an Iranian national, who fled Iran after being targeted by the government for participating in the historic protests that followed the election of Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad in 2009. This appears to be one of the first U.S. asylum cases connected with the widely reported 2009 election protests in Iran.

News

- Eighteen BFKN attorneys named 2012 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars (January 2012)

Professional Activities and Honors

- Justinian Society of Lawyers



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Practices

- Litigation
- Intellectual Property

Education

- University of Michigan, J.D., *cum laude*, 2009
- University of Michigan, B.A., with high distinction, 2007

Bar & Court Admissions

- State of Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Northern District of Illinois