

Application for Membership  
City Boards/Commissions/Committees  
City of Ann Arbor, Michigan

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Recreation Advisory Commission  
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Occupation LAWYER

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Board/Commission/Committee on which you are interested in serving:

- 1) RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE 3) \_\_\_\_\_  
2) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons for Seeking Appointment (Areas of Interest, Goals, etc.):

MY FAMILY HAS PARTICIPATED IN A HOST OF REC & ED PROGRAMS FOR MANY YEARS,  
FROM SWIMMING TO TEAM SPORTS TO DANCING TO ART. I HAVE THREE DAUGHTERS  
AND A SON WHO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH SPORTS. FOR MANY YEARS, I HAVE BEEN  
A VOLUNTEER COACH. MY EXPERIENCE WITH REC & ED HAS BEEN POSITIVE AND I BELIEVE  
Please submit a résumé including your job experience and education along with this application or a detailed letter of intent  
delineating relevant qualifications. THAT

DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In order to avoid any potential conflict of interest, I, the undersigned, agree not to be involved in any recommendations or decision making regarding any agency(ies) or entity(ies) for which I serve in the following capacity(ies) which may contract or subcontract with the City of Ann Arbor.

Agency

Capacity in Which I Serve

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Signature

Joseph K. Erhardt

Date

09/09/09

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HELP IF  
CONTINUE TO  
THANK



# DYKEMA

## Joseph K. Erhardt

### Member

Litigation  
Construction  
Insurance

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### Education

University of  
Michigan, A.B.  
University of  
Washington, J.D.

### Admitted to Practice

U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th  
Circuit  
U.S. District Court,  
District of Colorado  
U.S. District Court,  
Eastern District of  
Michigan  
Michigan 1991  
Washington 1993

Mr. Erhardt concentrates his commercial litigation practice on business, insurance, and construction disputes. He has represented clients in a wide range of matters, including breach of contract, insurance coverage, construction, securities, Uniform Commercial Code sales, distributorship and environmental matters.

In addition to trying cases in state and federal courts, he has litigated matters through the International Chamber of Commerce, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, and the American Arbitration Association.

### Experience

- Chief litigation counsel and general counsel for the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association, a statutory re-insurer comprised of all insurance companies that write no-fault motor vehicle insurance in Michigan
- Lead counsel in international arbitration under the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law that resulted in a \$13.4 million award on behalf of an energy client for breach of a long-term supply contract
- Successfully defended \$222 million arbitration claim, brought against an energy client through the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, and heard in Hong Kong
- Trial counsel for defendant re-insurer in multi-million dollar reinsurance coverage dispute brought by an insurance company in Michigan state court, obtaining complete defense verdict
- Has represented owners, developers, and general contractors in construction litigation in state and federal courts, arbitrations, and boards of contract appeals
- Defended multi-million dollar claim for breach of a distributorship agreement brought by distributor of construction materials in federal court against manufacturer of construction materials, obtaining summary judgment
- Represented airplane engine designer and manufacturer in two complex commercial arbitrations and in supplier dispute in federal court under the Uniform Commercial Code
- Successfully defended publicly-held company in securities fraud arbitration conducted through the American Arbitration Association, and heard in Chicago
- Represented energy client in several environmental contribution matters relating to releases of environmental contaminants
- Has litigated on behalf of:

- Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association
  - CMS Energy and affiliates
  - BP
  - Williams International
  - Dryvit Systems, Inc.
  - Advanced Construction Techniques
  - Kodak Polychrome Graphics
- Before joining Dykema, Mr. Erhardt served as a law clerk for the Honorable R. James Harvey of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

### **Awards**

- Named a Michigan Super Lawyer by Law & Politics for 2006 & 2008