

Michael J. McCarthy

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Michael J. McCarthy is an important member of KBK's skilled team of attorneys who provides the firm's clients with legal strategy and assistance.

As a former assistant district attorney, Mr. McCarthy brings a diverse skillset to KBK's proficient legal team. In addition to his extensive courtroom experience, he has successfully managed the development of key documents and arguments for clients.

Mr. McCarthy is also deeply involved in public service outside of the office, including serving as Delegate to the Conference of California Bar Associations.

Education

Cornell Law School, J.D., 2015

- Seymour Herzog Memorial Prize for Public Service
- *Cornell International Law Journal*, Managing Editor and Notes Editor
- *Cum laude*
- Cornell Law Students Association, Class Representative

American University, B.A., Government, 2010

- Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity, Vice President
- Residence Hall Association, Vice President
- *Cum laude*

Clerkship

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, May 2020—April 2022

- Judicial Clerk, Hon. Patricia Donahue

Representative Matters

Criminal Investigations and Prosecutions

- As lead prosecutor, obtained a top count jury conviction after a two-week trial without eyewitness testimony for a gang robbery committed in lower Manhattan.
- Worked with New York City Fire Department to investigate arsons committed against religious organizations in the Chelsea neighborhood.
- Conducted over 100 grand jury presentations and pre-trial hearings for matters involving attempted murder, arson, assault with a deadly weapon, identity theft, grand larceny, and fraud.

- Argued the entirety of People’s case, from pre-trial motions to summations, in eight jury trials and six bench trials.
- Responsible for drafting case documents including felony complaints, search warrants, subpoenas, oppositions to defense motions, and motions in limine.

Recognition and Affiliations

- L.A. County Bar Association Barristers & Young Attorneys Section Executive Committee, February 2022 – Present
- Delegate to Conference of CA Bar Associations, April 2021—Present
- L.A. County Bar Association Privacy & Cybercrime Section, July 2021—Present
- Nazareth Housing Junior Board, June 2019—February 2022
- D.A.’s Office H.S. Mock Trial Coach, May 2016—August 2019

Prior to Kendall Brill & Kelly

- **New York County District Attorney’s Office,
September 2015—April 2020**
Assistant District Attorney

Bar and Court Admissions

- **California, 2021**
- **New York, 2016**

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