BERGER SINGERMAN
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Michael Niles is a partner on Berger Singerman's Business Reorganization Team and Business, Finance & Tax Team in its Tallahassee office. Mike focuses his practice on commercial bankruptcy and creditors' rights matters, bankruptcy litigation, and commercial real estate transactions.

Mike's practice is primarily devoted to a wide range of insolvency matters, including representation of corporate and consumer clients in complex workouts, bankruptcies, assignment for the benefit of creditors and receiverships. He has also represented creditors committees and Chapter 7 trustees. In addition, his practice encompasses both the prosecution and defense of all forms of complex bankruptcy litigation, including preference, fraudulent transfers, and complex contested matters.

Additionally, Michael has extensive experience assisting property owners, developers, and lenders in commercial real estate, including the acquisition, sale, leasing, and development of real property.

Education

J.D., *cum laude*, Florida State University College of Law
B.S., Florida State University

Bar Admissions

Florida

Practice Teams

Business Reorganization
Business, Finance & Tax

Practice Areas

Bankruptcy Litigation
Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Complex Commercial Litigation
Real Estate

Representative Matters

- Represented creditors in bankruptcy proceedings filed under chapter 7, 11, and 13
- Assisted in the representation of an unsecured creditors committee in a healthcare insolvency related case
- Assisted clients in the purchase and sale of property from bankruptcy estates
- Represented both local and national developers, property owners, lenders, and borrowers in the acquisition, disposition, financing, leasing, and development of real property
- Experienced in commercial real estate transactions, including acquisitions, lending, long-term ground leasing and commercial leasing, corporate transactions and services, private and public land use restrictions and real property management
- Assisted in numerous commercial real estate transactions, including negotiation, document drafting, title review, survey review and other related due diligence matters

Awards & Honors

- *Legal 500's "US Elite: Miami and Florida"*
  - Finance and Restructuring, 2026
- *Chambers & Partners USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers,* Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Up & Coming), 2024-2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America®,* "Ones to Watch", 2021-2025
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2024-2026
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, "Rising Star", 2020; 2022-2023
- *Florida Trend Magazine,* "Florida Legal Elite Up & Comer", 2016

Community Activities / Associations

- Member, The Florida Bar
  - Business Law Section
  - Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section
- Member, Tallahassee Bar Association

    - Young Lawyers Division
- Member, American Bankruptcy Institute, 2020-2023
- Board Member, The Northern District of the Florida Bankruptcy Bar Association
    - Past President: 2021-2022
- Member, William H. Stafford American Inn of Court, 2011-2023
- Board Member, Northern District of Florida Local Rules Advisory Committee, 2021- Current
- Board Member, Temple Israel, Tallahassee, Florida, 2023

In the News

QSR Magazine, “When a Restaurant Empire Unravels: What Franchisees, Landlords, and Suppliers Should Know”
October 6, 2026

Yahoo Finance, “When a Restaurant Empire Unravels: What Franchisees, Landlords, and Suppliers Should Know”
October 6, 2026

Twenty-One Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2026 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 26, 2026

Berger Singerman Recognized by Chambers USA for 23rd Consecutive Year
June 4, 2026

Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in Legal 500’s 2026 “US Elite: Miami and Florida” Rankings
April 15, 2026

Twenty-Three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 26, 2025

Fifty-Six Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2025 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 15, 2024

Berger Singerman Announces 2023 Elevations
January 3, 2023

Forty-Three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2023 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 18, 2022

Twenty-three Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Edition of Florida Super Lawyers
June 27, 2022

Berger Singerman Announces 2022 Elevations
January 3, 2022

Thirty-Nine Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2022 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 19, 2021

Berger Singerman’s Bankruptcy Litigation Practice Recognized As 2021 “Litigation Departments of the Year” By Daily Business Review
March 29, 2021

Thirty-Five Berger Singerman Attorneys Recognized in the 2021 Edition of Best Lawyers In America
August 19, 2020

Berger Singerman Expands Team With Addition of Christopher Andrew Jarvinen, Robin Rubens and Michael Niles
February 24, 2019

Publications

QSR Magazine, “When a Restaurant Empire Unravels: What Franchisees, Landlords, and Suppliers Should Know”
October 6, 2026

Yahoo Finance, “When a Restaurant Empire Unravels: What Franchisees, Landlords, and Suppliers Should Know”
October 6, 2026

The M&A Advisor Recognizes Berger Singerman LLP for its Work on the Sale of Delphi Behavioral Health Group, LLC and the Acquisition of Bang Energy by Monster Beverage During its 22nd Annual Awards
November 29, 2023

Greater Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce, "A Second Chance for Small Businesses"
April 6, 2020

SCOTUS Finally Clarifies Rights of Licensees of Bankrupt Brands
May 19, 2019

Doing Business in Florida Blog

From Condemnation to Closing: How Berger Singerman Guided a 304-Unit Condominium Through Judicial Termination and a $20.5 Million Sale
September 2, 2026

When a Franchisor Liquidates: What Franchisees, Landlords and Suppliers Should Know
August 11, 2026

New Florida Law Impacts Attorney Fees
July 2, 2024

SCOTUS Finally Clarifies Rights of Licensees of Bankrupt Brands
May 19, 2019

Prior Affiliations

- Nelson Mullins Broad and Cassel
- Northern District of Florida Bankruptcy Court Law Clerk for Judge Specie