Eric J. Mikovch

Erie County Court of Common Pleas Judge Candidate

Education

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, SCHOOL OF LAW Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Juris Doctorate, 1994

COLGATE UNIVERSITY Hamilton, New York Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude* in Political Science Phi Beta Kappa, 1991

Professional Profile

Eric Mikovch is a lifelong resident of Eric County, and lives in Cranesville, Pennsylvania. He graduated second (salutatorian) in his class from Northwestern High School (Albion) in 1987. Eric earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Colgate University in 1991, graduating with Honors, *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa. While in college, Eric played quarterback for Colgate University earning three varsity football letters. Attorney Mikovch earned his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law in 1994.

In the summer of 1992, while still in law school, Eric was hired as a Summer Law Clerk at the Quinn Law Firm in Erie, PA. Following graduation, he was hired as an Associate Attorney at Quinn. Attorney Mikovch advanced to the position of Senior Partner Shareholder at the Quinn Law Firm in 2001, and he continues in that capacity today. He served/serves on the Executive Committee as a Managing Partner of the Quinn Law Firm (2011-2016); Chairman of the Real Estate Department (2012-2014); Chairman of the Marketing Committee (2011-2016, 2021-present); and Chairman of the Criminal Defense Practice Department (1998-present). Eric has been a trial attorney for 29 years at the Quinn Law Firm, and he is admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the United States Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and all other Pennsylvania State Courts. He is a past member of the American Inns of Court.

During his career, Attorney Mikovch has been chosen numerous times to be an Arbitrator by both plaintiffs and defendants to serve on arbitration panels to decide lawsuits up to \$50,000. His experience includes legal work in the areas of criminal and civil trials, residential and commercial real estate, wills and estates, private foundations, state professional employment license hearings in Harrisburg, Department of Transportation hearings, child dependency proceedings, Protection From Abuse cases for both plaintiffs and defendants, civil litigation, wrongful death, Office of Children and Youth cases, and he has conducted jury trials in Erie County, Crawford County, Warren County, and Cumberland County.

Attorney Mikovch has earned the highest possible rating as an attorney (an AV rating) from the national attorney rating service Martindale-Hubbell. This AV rating is based on the evaluation of Attorney Mikovch's legal and ethical ability by his legal peers and the AV rating is reserved for only those attorneys deemed exceptional in their field. Eric is a member of the American Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, and the Eric County Bar Association.

Community Service

Attorney Mikovch was appointed to serve on the board of directors for the Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority by Mayor Joe Sinnott in March, 2014, and he served as a board member through the expiration of his term in December 2020. He is currently an advisory board member for the Port Authority. Attorney Mikovch also currently serves as a volunteer board member on the Paul Kostkan Foundation.

Since 1993, Eric has volunteered his time as a mentor attorney advisor and athletic coach to many youth organizations including the Northwestern High School Mock Trial Team Attorney Advisor (1998-2014, 2021-present), Albion Springfield Little League Baseball Coach (2011-2019), Northwestern Youth Basketball Coach (2014-2017), Northwest Little Gridders Football Association Coach (2017-2021), Northwestern High School Varsity Football Coach (1993-2007, 2018-present), Northwestern Middle School Football Coach (2018-present), Northwestern Middle School Basketball Coach (2018-2022), and the YMCA.

Family

Eric and his wife Rebecca (Becky) Mikovch have been married for 17 years, and they have four children, Cole, Brodie, Mason, and Tessa, ages 16 to 11.