



## APPELLATE

The Appellate Practice Group at Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella includes a group of attorneys who provide a breadth of appellate experience. Our attorneys have successfully briefed and argued appeals in the Illinois Supreme Court, the Illinois Appellate Court, other state appellate courts, and federal courts of appeal.

We draw on this experience to help our clients make critical decisions about pursuing and defending appeals. To best position our clients for success, we partner with trial counsel to help develop the factual record and preserve issues for appeal. In addition, when issues require review before final judgment, we help our clients pursue interlocutory appeals and writ petitions. We also work with clients involved in administrative appeals, representing individuals and government agencies.

The Buke Warren Appellate Group enhances the overall litigation client service by:

- Leveraging established experience and expertise to shape and frame legal issues on appeal to ensure the best presentation to optimize the likelihood of a successful outcome;
- Keeping abreast of emerging trends, developments in the law and tracking novel issues to be in the best position to advise clients and develop strategies tailored to client and industry needs;
- Offering the Embedded Appellate Counsel protocol at the trial court level for clients facing significant litigation to ensure preservation of the record, development of appellate strategy; and
- Flexible fee arrangements that can include flat fees.

### Experience

- Defeating an easement claim in state court and successfully defending the judgment on appeal, enabling a not-for-profit institution to sell real estate for its best and highest use

### PROFESSIONALS

Victoria R. Collado  
Jay S. Dobrutzky  
Danielle J. Gould  
Andrew D. LeMar  
Susan Miller Overbey  
Elizabeth M. Pall  
Blake A. Roter  
Shana A. Shifrin  
Aaron H. Stanton



- Successfully represented a developer against the City of Moline in a challenge to the city's denial of the developer's zoning request to construct a concrete recycling plant.
- Successfully represented a developer in an Administrative Review action against the City of Park Ridge, Illinois for denying a site plan application.
- Successfully defended a northeast Illinois county at trial regarding the constitutionality of its zoning ordinance prohibiting a single-family home development in a primarily agricultural area and successfully represented the county on appeal to the Illinois Appellate Court for the Second District.
- Successfully represented an Illinois municipality at trial regarding the enforceability of its zoning code prohibiting basement and garage dwelling units, and successfully representing the municipality on appeal to the Illinois Appellate Court for the Second District.
- Successfully defended the City of Marshall, Illinois at trial regarding the constitutionality of its adult use ordinance; and successfully represented the City on appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

## Insights

### NEWS

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Chicago Volunteer Legal Service Vino + Gogh 2023 Event  
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Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of The American Red Cross of Greater Chicago 2023 Heroes Breakfast  
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Burke Warren Proud to Participate in the Chicago Bar Foundation's 2023 Investing in Justice Campaign  
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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of the Chicago Hope Academy 2023 Story of Hope Luncheon  
News, [April 11, 2023](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Member Firm of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights  
News, [April 4, 2023](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of the GI Research Foundation 2023 Annual Ball  
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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 2023 Better Business Bureau of Chicago Annual Dinner Meeting  
News, [February 8, 2023](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of One Tail at a Time 2023 Houndstooth Ball  
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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago 2023 Youth of the Year Competition & Dinner

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Burke Warren Partner John Stephens Named Advisory Board Member of AbstoneLalley, Inc.

News, [January 16, 2023](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of Direct Effect Charities 2022 "Letters to Santa" Program

News, [December 15, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Elects Joshua Cauhorn as Director

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Burke Warren Elects Jessica Cox as Shareholder

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Burke Warren Elects Stephen Schuster as Shareholder

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Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for a Happy New Year From Burke Warren!

News, [December 6, 2022](#)

Christine Eduardo and Mathew Musipa, Participants in Burke Warren's Fall 2022 3L Minority Internship Program, Accept Offers to Join the Firm

News, [December 5, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago 2022 Spirit of Saint Nicholas Ball

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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Chicago Children's Museum 2022 Gala

News, [September 27, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of After School Matters

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Burke Warren 2022 3L Minority Internship Program Participant Mathew Musipa Quoted in U of I Blog Article Entitled, "Immigration Law Clinic students win two asylum cases"

News, [September 15, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Selects Christine Eduardo and Mathew Musipa to Participate in the Burke Warren 2022 3L Minority Internship Program

News, [August 29, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Vino + Van Gogh 2022 Event

News, [August 24, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 2022 @gives back Golf Classic

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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 17th Annual Savills Landlord Challenge Charity Golf Event  
News, [August 5, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Launch of New Firm Website Coincides with Firm's 30th Anniversary Milestone  
News, [July 28, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Partner John Stephens Quoted in Crain's Chicago Article Entitled, "For Black lawyers, roadblocks to partnership persist"  
News, [June 10, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of the American Red Cross of Greater Chicago 2022 Heroes Breakfast  
News, [May 4, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Cited In Chicago Tribune Article Regarding a Pro Bono Case Recently Undertaken by the Firm  
News, [May 3, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Serves as Pro Bono Counsel in Federal Lawsuit Charging Advocate Health and Hospitals Corporation with Racial Discrimination  
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Burke Warren Welcomes Peter Ivancsits as Its Chief Financial Officer  
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Burke Warren Proud to Participate in the Chicago Bar Foundation's 2022 Investing in Justice Campaign  
News, [April 6, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Member Firm of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights  
News, [February 21, 2022](#)

Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 2022 Entrepreneur and Family Business Council Gala  
News, [January 25, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Secures Win for Client in Religious Liberty Appeals Case  
News, [January 13, 2022](#)

Adrian Atwater and Jolisa Warmack, Participants in Burke Warren's Inaugural 3L Minority Internship Program, Accept Offers to Join The Firm  
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Burke Warren Proud to Partner with JPMorgan Chase and Cabrini Green Legal Aid on Key Chicago Area Pro Bono Projects  
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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 27th Annual IPGA-Maryville Gleason Cup Golf Invitational  
News, [August 10, 2021](#)



ALERTS

Burke Warren Remains Fully Committed to Client Service Through Remote Working Capabilities  
Alert, [March 18, 2020](#)

Appellate Ruling Highlights Risk For Out-Of-State Employers Under Illinois Wage Payment And  
Collection Act  
Alert, [May 23, 2018](#)