



## HOSPITALITY

For hotels, restaurants, bars, and others in the food and beverage sectors, the complexities of serving the public while striving for stability, profitability, and growth is challenging. Negotiating leases, constructing spaces, securing financing, managing labor, and obtaining zoning and licensing approvals, and merely managing the day-to-day operations requires many different legal disciplines. It is important for hospitality industry professionals to work with lawyers who possess the personal experience, extensive resources, and unique insights to address these issues. It is equally important to work with a law firm that recognizes the depth of personal as well as financial investment that hospitality industry players make when bringing their dreams to fruition.

Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella's hospitality attorneys provide a full suite of legal services for our clients in the hospitality industry, focusing on proactive strategies for navigating the complex issues. For restauranteurs, developers, investors, owners, or operators in the hospitality sector, Burke Warren's extensive industry-specific knowledge is complemented by cross-disciplinary collaboration among our attorneys to provide approaches that manage risk, maximize opportunities, and firmly position our clients for success.

Burke Warren attorneys have particularly extensive experience serving talented Chicago-area chefs and restauranteurs. The attorneys provide sound counsel from the initial stages of identifying viable concepts through ongoing operations, including creating and structuring entities, preparing offering memoranda, negotiating leases, and advising on related matters.

Clients count on the experience and insight of lawyers who practice across the full range of legal fields which intersect with the business of providing lodging, food, recreation, and related services to the public, including:

- Structuring organizations and drafting governing documents
- Acquisitions and dispositions of real estate, restaurants and bars

## PROFESSIONALS

David W. Silver



- Drafting offering memoranda
- Drafting and negotiating leases
- Assisting with zoning and land use issues
- Drafting employee handbooks and policy manuals
- Providing anti-harassment training
- Assisting with employment, lease, ownership, and insurance disputes
- Assisting with local and state licensing matters
- Negotiating hotel management agreements

No matter the nature or size of your hospitality industry interests, we stand ready to protect and advance those interests effectively and efficiently. For more information, please contact practice chair **David Silver** at (312) 840-7103 or [dsilver@burkelaw.com](mailto:dsilver@burkelaw.com).

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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of 2023 Better Business Bureau of Chicago Annual Dinner Meeting  
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Burke Warren Partner John Stephens Named Advisory Board Member of AbstoneLalley, Inc.  
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Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of Direct Effect Charities 2022 "Letters to Santa" Program  
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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!  
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Christine Eduardo and Mathew Musipa, Participants in Burke Warren's Fall 2022 3L Minority Internship Program, Accept Offers to Join the Firm  
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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  
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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"  
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Burke Warren Selects Christine Eduardo and Mathew Musipa to Participate in the Burke Warren 2022 3L Minority Internship Program  
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Burke Warren a Proud Sponsor of Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Vino + Van Gogh 2022 Event  
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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  
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Burke Warren Launch of New Firm Website Coincides with Firm's 30th Anniversary Milestone  
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Burke Warren Partner John Stephens Quoted in Crain's Chicago Article Entitled, "For Black lawyers, roadblocks to partnership persist"  
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Burke Warren a Proud Supporter of the American Red Cross of Greater Chicago 2022 Heroes Breakfast  
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Burke Warren Cited In Chicago Tribune Article Regarding a Pro Bono Case Recently Undertaken by the Firm  
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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 a Proud Sponsor of 2022 Entrepreneur and Family Business Council Gala  
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Burke Warren Attorney David Silver Quoted in CulinaryWoman Newsletter Article Entitled, "What Restaurant Investors Want"  
News, [January 16, 2022](#)

Burke Warren Attorney David Silver Interviewed in Crain's Chicago Daily Gist Podcast Segment Entitled, "How New Restaurants Get Started"  
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#### ALERTS

Congress Approves Loans For Real Estate & Hospitality Sectors  
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Burke Warren Remains Fully Committed to Client Service Through Remote Working Capabilities  
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