



Michael P. Motyka

Chief Operating Officer

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Mike joined Marshall Gerstein in 2015 as our Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer. He has over 25 years of leadership experience in mid-size and large law firms and is a leader in the law firm community, organizing regular roundtables of Chicago law firm COO's and Executive Directors, speaking at conferences, and serving as President of the Chicago Chapter of the ALA.

Representative Experience

Mike's areas of responsibility include:

- General firm-wide Administration
 - o Finance
 - o Human Resources & Talent Management
 - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
 - Information Technology
 - o Business Development
 - Office Services and Facilities
 - o Library/Research Services
- Strategic Planning
- Policy Recommendation and Implementation

Background and Credentials

Prior to joining the Marshall Gerstein, Mike was the Chief Operating Officer at a mid-size Chicago law firm and held leadership positions at several AmLaw 100 law firms.

He earned his MBA at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. Before that, Mike pursued graduate studies in finance and international relations at the University of Chicago and earned his B.A. at the University of Wisconsin–Madison.



Education

- Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management (MBA)
- University of Chicago
 - o Graduate studies in Finance and International Relations
- University of Wisconsin, Madison (B.A., with distinction)
 - o Political Science, International Relations, History

Community and Professional Involvement

- Leader of Chicago Law Firm COO & Executive Director Roundtable (2019–Present) Association of Legal Administrators Chicago Chapter
- Co-Chair of Risk Management Committee (2020–Present) PilotLegis Law Firm Risk Purchasing Group
- Panelist at October 2022 Thomson Reuters 21st Annual Law Firm COO & CFO Conference
- President (2018–2019), Vice President (2017–2018), and Treasurer (2015–2017) Association of Legal Administrators Chicago Chapter
- Member of Legal Marketing Association
- Member of International Legal Technology Association
- Member of Executives' Club of Chicago
- Chair of Board of Trustees (2010–2013), Chair of Capital Campaign Committee (2013–2014), and President's Advisory Council (2022–Present) Chicago Waldorf School