



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
 - Human Resources & Talent Management
 - o Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
 - Information Technology
 - o Business Development
 - o Facilities & Operations
 - o Library/Research Services
- Strategic Planning
- Policy Recommendation and Implementation

Background and Credentials

Prior to joining 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.



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

- Executive Committee Member & Co-Chair of Risk Management Committee of the PilotLegis Law Firm Risk Purchasing Group (35 member law firms)
- Advisory Board Member for the 22nd Annual Thomson Reuters Law Firm COO & CFO Conference in Washington, D.C. (November 2023)
- Panelist at 21st Annual Thomson Reuters Law Firm COO & CFO Conference in New York, NY (October 2022)
- Leader of Chicago Law Firm COO & Executive Director Roundtable for the Chicago Chapter of the Association of Legal Administrators
- Former President, Vice President, and Treasurer of the Chicago Chapter of the Association of Legal Administrators
- Board of Trustees of the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America
- Former President & Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Chicago Waldorf School
- Legal Marketing Association
- International Legal Technology Association
- Executives' Club of Chicago