

HODGSON RUSS LLP MANAGING PARTNER NAMED TO BUFFALO BUSINESS FIRST "POWER 250"

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Hodgson Russ LLP is pleased to share Benjamin M. Zuffranieri Jr., the firm's managing partner, has been named to the *Buffalo Business First* "Power 250." The list annually recognizes the region's most influential people, both longtime power players and those just beginning to shape the future of Western New York. Ben was ranked #46 on the list of 250.

Ben was named Managing Partner in February 2022, continuing the firm's focus on strengthening client relationships, growing the firm's client base, enhancing collegiality, and serving our communities.

Prior to becoming Managing Partner, he served as leader of the firm's Business Litigation and Construction Practices. He has extensive experience in commercial, construction, and international law matters. His engagements include trials, appeals, arbitrations, and mediations, both domestic and international. Ben's cases typically involve complex matters with substantial sums in dispute, including bet-the-company litigations.

For many years, Ben served as Chairman of the Hodgson Russ Litigation Practice. He is an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association, National Roster of Neutrals, Commercial Panel. He has also been appointed to the federal court mediation panel for the United States District Court, Western District of New York.

Ben has received numerous honors throughout his career including *Best Lawyers in America*: Lawyer of the Year listings for bet-the-company litigation (2016, 2022) and construction litigation (2019 – 2020); *Best Lawyers in America* listings (2007 – 2023) for commercial litigation, bet-the-company litigation, construction litigation, and personal injury litigation for defendants; and *Upstate New York Super Lawyers* listings for business litigation (2007 – 2022). He was also named to the *Buffalo Business First/Buffalo Law Journal's* Legal Elite of Western New York (2014) and the *Buffalo Business First/Buffalo Law Journal's* Who's Who in Law (2008).

A University at Buffalo Law School alumnus, Ben was a lecturer at the school from 1987 – 1989 and at Buffalo State University from 1984 – 1986. Prior to that, he served as a Confidential Law Clerk to Honorable Reid S. Moule, Justice of the New

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