



**MEYER UNKOVIC SCOTT**  
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### **Practice Groups**

- Corporate & Business Law
- MUSolutions
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Real Estate & Lending

### **Education**

- J.D., Southwestern Law School, 2011
- B.A., Washington & Jefferson College, 2008

### **Bar Admissions**

- Pennsylvania
- California
- District of Columbia

**Maxwell Briskman Stanfield** is a member of the Corporate & Business Law, Real Estate & Lending, MUSolutions and Non-Profit practice groups. His experience covers a broad range of corporate, business, financial and commercial real estate transactions. Maxwell assists clients primarily with the drafting and interpretation of contracts; the purchase and sale of businesses; the purchase, sale and leasing of real property; the drafting, negotiating and reviewing of commercial lending transactions; the formation and representation of nonprofit organizations and the formation and structuring of business entities. His clients include businesses, individual business owners, start-ups, investors, nonprofit organizations, and other entrepreneurs. In addition, he has experience with franchise agreements and a wide variety of matters in the hospitality and entertainment industry, including the drafting, negotiating and review of agreements relating to hotels, restaurants, entertainment venues, and country clubs.

### **Representative Matters**

- Counsel businesses, of various sizes, and individuals in major transactions, corporate governance matters, and day-to-day legal and business affairs
- Assist clients with drafting and interpretation of contracts
- Advise individuals, businesses, developers, investors and non-profit organizations in all facets of real estate acquisition, investment and development, including drafting, negotiating and reviewing purchase and sale agreements, and ancillary acquisition agreements
- Draft, negotiate and review office, retail and industrial leases and ancillary occupancy and access agreements
- Represent and advise borrowers and financial institutions in commercial lending transactions, including drafting, negotiating and reviewing credit agreements, loan agreements, and ancillary loan documents
- Conduct due diligence examinations in connection with business acquisitions and title and survey examinations in connection with property acquisitions
- Counsel clients with respect to the formation and representation of non-profit and tax-exempt organizations
- Draft, negotiate and review filming location agreements on behalf of hotel, commercial, and entertainment properties in connection with both feature film and television show productions

### **Court Admissions**

- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Central District of California

**Awards/Honors**

- W. Edward Sell Distinguished Service Award, Washington & Jefferson College
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award (highest grade) in Advertising Law Practice, Southwestern Law School
- 2019 inductee into the Allegheny County Bar Foundation, Young Lawyer Fellows Program

**Professional Involvement**

- Diversity Committee, Meyer Unkovic & Scott, LLP
- Association for Corporate Growth (ACG Pittsburgh)
- International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC)
- Allegheny County Bar Association
  - Young Lawyers Division, Membership Outreach Committee
    - Co-Chair, 2019-2020
  - Corporate, Banking & Business Law Section Council
    - Vice Chair, 2019-2020
    - Secretary & Treasurer, 2018 - 2019
  - Real Property Section
  - Membership Committee
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
  - Business Law Section
  - Real Property, Probate & Trust Law Section
- Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International

**Community Involvement**

- The Washington & Jefferson Alumni Pre-Law Advisory Committee
- SteelTree Fund, Board Member
- Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, New Leadership Council Member
  - Membership, Co-Chair
  - Young Professionals Club, Committee Member
- Soiree Committee, Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra
- Children's Trust Member of the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Foundation
- Associate Board of Ambassadors Pittsburgh, American Cancer Society
- 2018 Host Committee, "This is Us", Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh
- Make-A-Wish Foundation of Greater Pennsylvania and West Virginia, Volunteer

**Articles/Speaking Engagements**

- "Breaking Down Benefits and Burdens When Nonprofits Restructure," *The Legal Intelligencer*. July 22, 2019.
  - "What Venture Capitalists Are Looking for From a Startup," *The Legal Intelligencer*. May 3, 2019.
  - "Understanding Private Placement Memoranda and When to Use Them," *The Legal Intelligencer*. March 12, 2019.
  - "Demystifying Phantom Stock," *The Pittsburgh 100*. February 26, 2019.
  - "Demystifying Phantom Stock: How They Work and How to Make One," MUS Blog, February 4, 2019.
  - "What to Remember as an Attorney Serving on a Nonprofit Board," *The Legal Intelligencer*, October 17, 2018.
  - "Ethical Considerations of Sitting on a Non-Profit Board," Co-Presenter for CLE presentation, Alcoa/Arconic, August 23, 2018.
  - "Business Workshop: Judge prevents Starbucks from closing 77 failing Teavana Stores," *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, January 16, 2018.
  - "Not Their Cup of Tea," MUS Blog, January 3, 2018.
  - "Starting a New Business in a World of Cyber Threats," MUS Blog, September 26, 2017.
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- “What’s Your Biggest Weakness?” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Winter 2017.
- “Hiring Character. Training Skill.” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Fall 2016.
- “Dodging Disaster: Overcoming Disenchantment and Depression in the Legal Profession,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Fall 2016.
- “Exploring the Diversity of Books,” Summer’s in Session - What We’re Reading, The Pennsylvania Lawyer Magazine, Vol. 38 No. 4, July/August 2016.
- “The Artificially Intelligent Lawyer,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Winter 2016.
- “No-Holds-Barred Exams,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Fall 2015.
- “Pros(e) and Con(versation)s,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Spring 2015.
- “A New Model for the Model Rules?” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Winter 2014.
- “The Great Loan Languish,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Summer 2013.
- “Social Media and the Boss’s Orders,” At Issue, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, Spring 2013.

**Additional Information**

Prior to joining Meyer Unkovic & Scott, Maxwell was an associate with the Corporate, Hospitality and Real Estate Finance practice groups at a large national law firm headquartered in Pittsburgh. Before that, he lived in Los Angeles, California where he focused his legal studies on all aspects of entertainment and media law. While in law school, Maxwell served as Copy Editor and Senior Staff Writer for The Commentator. Maxwell received his Bachelor of Arts degree with a double major in Political Science and Spanish from Washington & Jefferson College, where he served as President of the Pre-Law Society.

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