

Dykema Appoints Eric Fingerhut as Managing Member of DC Office

Eric T. Fingerhut has been appointed as the Office Managing Member of **Dykema**'s Washington, D.C., office. He succeeds Paul Laurenza, who served in the role for eight years.

"Dykema has been an active legal, legislative and policy counsellor in Washington, D.C., for four decades, spanning seven presidential administrations," said Fingerhut. "I'm proud of the mark we've made in the District, and excited for the opportunity to lead our top-notch team of professionals as we help clients navigate a regulatory and legislative landscape that is evolving and unfolding with unprecedented speed."

In a release, the firm said Fingerhut, who is a member of the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group and Immediate Past Leader of the Trademark Practice, has more than 25 years of experience counselling clients on all aspects of global brand identity and reputation management. He advises many of the world's best-known brand names in automotive, retail, food, hospitality and technology industries on trademark, copyright, right of publicity, advertising, marketing, domain name and new media legal issues. Additionally, Fingerhut litigates infringement, dilution, cybersquatting and unfair competition cases in U.S. district and appellate courts, as well as domain name arbitration proceedings and oppositions and cancellations before the United States Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

An active member of the Washington, D.C., legal, service and arts communities, Fingerhut is a Past Chair of the D.C. Bar Council on Sections; a Board Member of HumanitiesDC (formerly known as the Humanities Council of Washington, DC); and a

former Director of the Washington Area Bicyclists Association.

Fingerhut earned a J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, and a B.S. from Boston University.