Dykema Elects 10 New Members Across U.S. Offices

Dykema has announced the election of 10 attorneys to membership in the firm, effective Jan. 1, 2026. The new members span multiple practice areas and are based in offices across the country.

Evan Atkinson, based in Austin, focuses on corporate finance and represents buyers, sellers, and private equity-backed sponsors in healthcare-related transactions, including mergers and acquisitions. He earned his law degree from the Dedman School of Law at Southern Methodist University. He served as a Judicial Clerk in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas. Atkinson is also a U.S. Army veteran.

Samantha Hughes, in Los Angeles, practices product liability and class action litigation. She has experience defending product manufacturers and insurers in cases involving severe injury or death, as well as toxic tort and chemical exposure matters. Hughes earned her J.D. from Loyola Law School.

Tara Kern, based in Dallas, handles commercial litigation, focusing on complex product liability, business disputes, and catastrophic injury cases. She also represents clients in appellate matters and insurance defense. Kern holds a J.D. from Texas Tech University.

Samuel Kilberg, in Bloomfield Hills, practices real estate law with a focus on zoning, land use, and project financing for renewable energy and infrastructure developments. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees from Michigan State University.

Ryan Landry, based in San Antonio, represents clients in state and federal courts in Texas, focusing on contract disputes, business torts, and class action litigation. He earned his

J.D. from the UNH Franklin Pierce School of Law.

Robin Lehninger, in Milwaukee, advises clients on corporate transactions and capital markets, particularly within the healthcare industry. She holds a J.D. and M.P.P. from the University of Minnesota.

Karen Poppel, based in Washington, D.C., focuses on intellectual property litigation across industries such as chemical, pharmaceutical, and software. She earned a J.D. from George Washington University and holds degrees in chemistry from MIT and Emory University.

Lauren Quigley, in Chicago, works in corporate finance, advising financial institutions on regulatory compliance, payments, deposit products, and mergers. She earned her J.D. from Notre Dame Law School.

Victoria Remus, based in Bloomfield Hills, practices in taxation and estates, with experience in estate planning, probate, trust administration, and tax-exempt organizations. She earned her law degree from Michigan State University College of Law.

Nicholas von der Lancken, in Los Angeles, represents clients in product liability, catastrophic injury, and business litigation. He has handled cases from trial through appeal and served as regional counsel in the automotive sector. He earned his law degree from Washington University School of Law.