

Dykema's Austin Office Adds Mike Toth and Ashley Shapiro Bunyard

Dykema has added attorneys Mike Toth and Ashley Shapiro Bunyard to its Austin office, both in the firm's Litigation Department.

Toth is a former justice on the Texas Third District Court of Appeals at Austin. Before taking the bench, Toth served as a special counsel to the Texas Office of Attorney General, where he developed and implemented litigation strategy in a broad range of high-profile cases involving significant executive-level deliberation on complex legal issues. Toth has litigated in state and federal courts across Texas and achieved numerous nationwide victories in cases involving federal regulations, the firm said.

Toth earned his J.D., as well as an M.A. in history, from the University of Virginia, and a B.A., magna cum laude, in history from Stanford University. After graduating from law school, he served as a trial attorney in the United States Marine Corps, and Toth remains a major in the Marine Corps Reserves assigned to the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps in the Pentagon. Toth is a former law clerk to Judge Edith H. Jones on the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Shapiro Bunyard joins Dykema as an associate practicing in corporate matters in both state and federal court. She has experience representing clients in commercial disputes concerning breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, and misappropriation of trade secrets, the firm said.

Shapiro Bunyard earned a J.D. and a B.B.A. in marketing from the University of Oklahoma. She spent nearly four years in the

Dallas office of Sumner Schick LLP.