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Sharp investigator, steady litigator, practical employment counsel.

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OVERVIEW

Michelle's practice spans commercial disputes, employment litigation, and investigations, giving clients a trusted advocate whether they are navigating a high-stakes business conflict or a contentious workplace matter. Clients consistently describe her as calm under pressure and decisive when it matters most, qualities that translate to practical guidance and strong outcomes even in the most difficult cases.

Before joining Greene Espel, Michelle honed her litigation practice at a national law firm in San Francisco, where she developed deep experience in employment law. She also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Joan N. Ericksen of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota—an experience that sharpened her understanding of how courts think and what persuades judges.

Michelle earned her J.D. from Stanford Law School, where she received pro bono distinction, and her B.A. in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley, with high honors.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Stanford Law School, Lead Article Editor, Stanford Journal of International Law
- B.A., University of California, Berkeley, with High Distinction, Phi Beta Kappa, Order of Omega

EXPERIENCE

- Associate, Paul Hastings LLP, San Francisco
- Law Clerk, U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota, The Honorable Joan N. Ericksen

ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
- State Bar of California
- State Bar of Minnesota

AFFILIATIONS

- Federal Bar Association

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- Minnesota State Bar Association

RECOGNITION

- Recognized as Minnesota State Bar Association North Star Lawyer for pro bono service (2025)
- Selected to Minnesota Rising Stars list, Minnesota Super Lawyers (2026)

COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Infinity Project, Board Member (2026-present)
- Minnesota Women Lawyers, Partner Leadership Council

NEWS & UPDATES

- **July 15, 2026** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2026 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **June 25, 2026** Greene Espel Attorneys Named 2025 North Star Lawyers for Pro Bono Service
- **September 21, 2023** Greene Espel Welcomes Litigators Taofikat Ninalowo-Olaofe and Michelle Erickson to the Firm

EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

- **May 18, 2026** "Conducting Effective Investigations in the Public Sector Workplace," Upper Midwest Employment Law Institute, Minnesota CLE
- **June 24, 2025** "Minnesota's Marijuana Law – What It Means for Employer Policies, Drug Testing, Discipline, and On-Premises Possession," Upper Midwest Employment Law Institute Replay, Minnesota CLE

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

- **August 18, 2026** "Eighth Circuit: Remote Worker Could Not Bring Claims Under Minnesota Whistleblower Act or the Whistleblower Act of the State Where They Worked," Law.com
- **February 2, 2024** "Eighth Circuit: Intent Requirements in Iowa's New 'Ag-Gag' Law Are Not Unconstitutional Restrictions on Speech," Law.com

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