



## Top verdicts of 2021



**SCOTT SEABOLT**



**MARK HAUCK**

### \$19 million

A partnership dispute involving a pot provisioning center took home the second largest verdict reported to Michigan Lawyers Weekly in 2021.

MSY Capital Partners LLC secured an \$18 million award from an Oakland County jury against LIV Wellness Center LLC for breach of a partnership agreement, as well as a \$500,000 award against each of two individual owners for breach of fiduciary duty.

The legal team behind the victory included Mark Hauck and Scott Seabolt of Hickey Hauck Bishoff Jeffers & Seabolt, and Gavin Fleming and Frank DeLuca of Fleming Yatooma and Borowitz.

Seabolt said Judge Michael Warren oversaw the six-day trial in a manner that assured a fair trial for all parties.

Seabolt, who examined and cross-examined the primary fact witnesses in the case, said intense trial preparation started about a month before the trial began.

“There were seven witnesses. Mark Hauck did openings, closings and examined plaintiffs’ damages expert, Jeff Hauswirth,” he said. “Gavin Fleming and Frank DeLuca provided valuable research, briefing and other trial support.”

What was key to winning this case? Having a fully committed team of lawyers and clients and doing our best to keep the jury engaged throughout, according to Seabolt.

“We believe our witnesses were credible and presented a compelling case to the jury.”