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### **Service Areas**

Medical & Pharmaceutical Liability

### **Bar Admissions**

Ohio, 1991

United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit

United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio

United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio

United States District Court, Southern District of West Virginia

### **Education**

University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., 1991)

Dauntsey School of England

Clarion University of Pennsylvania (B.A., *with honors*, 1987)

### **Bio**

Kristen Mayer, a Partner in the Cleveland office of Tucker Ellis & West LLP and Chair of the firm's Legal Writing Committee, specializes in multi-district, pharmaceutical and medical device litigation, and legal analysis and complex brief writing, primarily in the area of products liability, with an emphasis on federal preemption, class certification, and Daubert/Frye issues. Kristen's practice exposes her to both federal law, and the laws of each of the fifty states, and often takes her to federal and state courts throughout the country. She has particularly enjoyed presenting several in-house legal writing seminars, and co-authoring an Ohio Product Liability Monograph.

Kristen grew up in Hudson, Ohio, where she currently resides. She maintains close ties with both Western Reserve Academy, where she graduated from high school, and The English Speaking Union ("ESU") – an exchange program between the United States and Great Britain. Through ESU, Kristen had the opportunity to study and reside in Wiltshire, England between her prior career track as a vocal performance artist and her first year of law school at the University of Pittsburgh.

### **Recent Publications**

["Exactly What You Want to Say and Why: Of Plain Speak,"](#) DRI's *For The Defense*, June 2009

["What's Up With 'That'?"](#) DRI's *For the Defense*, May 2010

### **Civic & Professional Involvement**

Defense Research Institute, Appellate Advocacy

OACTA 2009 Speaker: "Preempting Your Opponent Right Out of Court"

### **Industries Represented**

Chemical

Machinery Manufacturing

Consumer Products  
Electrical Equipment

Pharmaceutical & Medicine