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education

Harvard Law School (J.D.), *cum laude*, 2007; *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy*

Ohio Wesleyan University (B.A.), *summa cum laude*, 2004; Phi Beta Kappa

services

Appellate & Legal Issues

Business Litigation

Class Action Litigation

E-Discovery

Mass Tort & Product Liability

Medical & Pharmaceutical Liability

Jeff Sindelar combines his strategic and tactical experience as a trial attorney with the analytical skills he developed as a law clerk to meet the needs of clients in state and federal courts throughout the United States.

Jeff knows successful litigation strategy requires more than merely waiting for opposing counsel's arguments—it requires anticipating those arguments and responding quickly with lucid, compelling counterarguments. He applies this philosophy when representing clients in matters involving antitrust, contract disputes, consumer class actions, copyrights, drug and medical device products liability, medical malpractice, and toxic torts. Jeff spends a significant amount of his time defending FDA-regulated drugs and medical devices in federal multidistrict and state litigation and, as a result, has gained a thorough understanding of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and FDA regulations.

After law school, Jeff returned home to the Greater Cleveland area to serve as a law clerk to the Honorable Deborah L. Cook, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. He then worked as a volunteer coordinator and election day operations manager on John McCain's 2008 U.S. Presidential Campaign before entering private practice in Cleveland.

In his free time, Jeff enjoys running and biking the trails of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

state admissions

- Ohio (2008)
- Illinois (2007)

federal admissions

- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio
- United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio

experience

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Drafted briefing to limit admission of adverse event reporting information in state court pharmaceutical products liability case
- Drafted multiple briefs before the Ninth Circuit in support of summary judgment for military contractor in products liability cases
- Defended diabetes medication manufacturer against product liability claims in state and federal courts, resulting in several complete defense verdicts
- Drafted amicus brief for the Ohio Association of Civil Trial Attorneys in case of first impression interpreting the Ohio workplace intentional tort statute
- Obtained admissions during deposition of transvaginal mesh plaintiff that were cited by court in granting summary judgment on all claims
- Drafted brief for hospital in Ohio state court resulting in upholding constitutionality and application of Ohio's noneconomic damages cap for medical malpractice actions
- Represented national consumer subscription content provider in putative antitrust class action litigation, obtaining dismissal of several counts on summary judgment and leading to favorable resolution for client
- Defended Fortune 500® company against putative class action involving consumer fraud allegations

publications & events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "The Constitutionality of The National Popular Vote Interstate Compact," The Bob Frantz Authority (June 2019)
- "Hot Topics in the Law," The Todd Allyn Show (March 2019)
- "The Supreme Court Year in Review," 2018 In-House Counsel Summit, Tucker Ellis LLP, Cleveland, Ohio (October 2018)
- "The Supreme Court Year in Review – 2016-2017 Term: Mapping the New Court's Uncertain Course," 2017 In-House Counsel Summit, Tucker Ellis LLP, Cleveland, Ohio (October 2017)
- "U.S. Supreme Court Round-Up," 2016 In-House Counsel Summit, Tucker Ellis LLP, Cleveland, Ohio (October 2015, October 2016)

PUBLICATIONS

- "Excluding Adverse Event Reports in Drug and Medical Device Cases," *Bloomberg BNA Pharmaceutical Law & Industry Report* (November 2015)

- "Of Form and Function: Lockean Political Philosophy and Mass Tort," 90 NEB. L. REV. 887 (2012)
- "Proteins and Fats and Carbs, Oh My! Escaping the Hysteria of Dieting in America," *Food & Drug Law: An Electronic Book of Student Papers*, Peter Barton Hutt, Ed. (May 2007)

in the community

CIVIC & PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, 3Rs Program Team Leader
- Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy Center, Vice President
- Harvard Law School Association of Cleveland
- Ohio Men's Action Network, Steering Committee Member
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Stratford Village Neighborhood Association, Vice President