

Robert C. Tucker

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education

The Ohio State University College of Law (J.D.), 1976
Williams College (B.A.), *cum laude*, 1973; Phi Beta Kappa

services

Medical & Pharmaceutical Liability
Medical Malpractice Defense
Mass Tort & Product Liability
Business Litigation

Bob Tucker is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers who specializes in products liability and medical malpractice cases, with an emphasis on the defense of pharmaceutical companies, physicians and hospitals, and manufacturers of consumer products.

Over the past 40 years, Bob has defended thousands of cases brought against pharmaceutical companies in Ohio and a dozen other states. He has served as trial counsel throughout the Midwest for manufacturers of various products, drugs, and devices, and he has tried cases to verdict in Florida, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa, as well as in courts throughout Ohio. In addition to the cases he has tried, he has been the national coordinating counsel for the defense of product liability and toxic tort cases brought in state and federal courts throughout the United States. He has managed thousands of cases in multi-district litigation and has served as MDL Co-Counsel in *In re: DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc., ASR Hip Implant Products Liability Litigation* and in *In re: Ortho Evra Products Liability Litigation*. He has been admitted to try lawsuits in more than two dozen different state and federal courts.

Bob lectures on the defense of product liability claims and has conducted seminars for attorneys defending product liability, pharmaceutical liability, and toxic tort claims.

Ranked among "Senior Statesmen" in *Chambers USA 2018* in the area of Product Liability & Mass Torts (Nationwide), Bob is described as a "marvelous lawyer When he speaks, everyone listens."

"Bob Tucker garners huge respect across the market." -- *Legal 500, U.S.*

state admissions

- Ohio (1976)

federal admissions

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

publications & events

SELECTED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Leadership Lessons Learned from the Collapse of Arter & Hadden and the Launch of Tucker Ellis," Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association Leadership Academy, Cleveland, Ohio (December 2019)
- "There's No Place Like Home: The Pros and Cons of *Lexecon* Waivers and Bellwether Trials in the Modern MDL," Current Issues in Pharmaceutical, Medical Device, and Biotech Litigation, ABA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (November 2016)
- "A Defense Perspective on Mass Tort Litigation," First Annual Winter Convention, Ohio Association for Justice, Cleveland, Ohio (November 2013)
- "Everything MDL: First-Hand Perspectives from MDL Panel Judges, MDL District Court Judges, and MDL Lawyers," presented by the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and the Federal Bar Association, Cleveland, Ohio (July 2012)

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- "True Blue: Avoid 'Fake News' on Product Packaging," *Manufacturing Today* (October 2018)

honors

- *Chambers USA*
 - "Senior Statesmen" in Product Liability & Mass Torts (Nationwide) (2016-2018)
 - Product Liability & Mass Torts (Nationwide) (2010-2015)
- *Who's Who Legal*
 - Product Liability Defence (2018-2020)
 - Litigation (2018, 2019)
 - Life Sciences: Product Liability (2010-2012, 2014-2016)
 - Selected as one of the world's "10 Most Highly Regarded Individuals" (2012)
- *Benchmark Litigation*
 - Local Litigation Star, Product Liability
 - Product Liability Defence (2003, 2006-2016)
 - Top 100 Trial Lawyers (2015)
 - Commercial Litigation (2014, 2015)

- *LMG Life Sciences*
 - Life Sciences Star (2018, 2019)
- The Best Lawyers in America® (2003-2020)
 - 2020 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year (Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants)
 - 2016 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year (Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants)
 - 2014 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year (Bet-the-Company Litigation)
 - 2011 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year (Medical Malpractice Law)
- Ohio Super Lawyers® (2004-2020)

in the community

- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- International Association of Defense Counsel, past member
- Defense Research Institute, past member
- Cleveland Association of Civil Trial Attorneys, past member
- Manos Inns of Court