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PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation

EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati College of Law, J.D., 2007, *magna cum laude*,
University of Cincinnati Law Review, Managing Editor, 2006-2007

University of Michigan, B.A., 2003

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Ohio

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Admitted to practice law only in the states listed above.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

The Honorable John D. Holschuh, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 2007-2009

Joe is a partner in the Vorys Cincinnati office and a member of the litigation group. He has successfully represented large corporations, small businesses, and individuals in a wide variety of cases in both federal and state courts at the trial and appellate levels. His practice consists primarily of complex civil litigation, including specific experience with cases involving the False Claims Act, the AntiKickback Statute and Stark Law, insurance disputes, products liability issues, consumer class actions, corporate and government investigations, trade secret and intellectual property disputes, noncompete provisions, and general breach of contract, fraud, and business torts. In addition, Joe has experience with white collar criminal defense work.

Notable experience includes:

- Successfully representing and obtaining dismissals and summary judgments in favor of numerous health care entities and government contractors in False Claims Act litigation and investigations
- Obtaining a declaratory judgment worth more than \$60 million in insurance coverage
- Successfully defending large life insurers in a putative class action alleging misrepresentations and breaches of contract
- Representing a large biotechnology company against claims stemming from development of medical devices
- Resolving complex arbitration proceedings involving breach of contract allegations in favor of large engine manufacturer

Joe is a member of the Cincinnati Bar Association and the Federal Bar Association

Joe received his J.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Law where he was managing editor of the *University of Cincinnati Law Review* and a member of the Order of the Coif. He received his B.A. with highest honors from the University of Michigan.

Joe served as a law clerk to the Honorable John D. Holschuh, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Insights

"The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Expected to Become Law," March 11, 2021

"A Second Round of the Paycheck Protection Program is Coming," December 31, 2020

"President Signs \$900 Billion Economic Aid Package," December 27, 2020

VORYS

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"Congress Passes Bill Extending Small Business Loan Programs and Providing Emergency COVID-19 Response Funding," April 23, 2020

"Private Non-Profit Eligibility for FEMA Public Assistance Funding," April 8, 2020

"Overview of State Relief Efforts in Response to COVID-19," April 1, 2020

"Ohio Governor Mike DeWine Signs COVID-19 Related Legislation," March 30, 2020

"First COVID-19 Business Insurance Coverage Case Filed in Louisiana," March 26, 2020

"Senate Passes Phase III of the Federal Coronavirus Relief Legislation," March 26, 2020

"Overview of Federal Coronavirus (COVID-19) Relief Bills," March 20, 2020

Professional and Community Activities

Cincinnati and Federal Bar Associations

Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers (CALL) – Class XX

Leadership Council for Nonprofits – BOLD Board Development Class I and Steering Committee Member

Potter Stewart Inn of Court – Barrister

Events

Vorys On Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness
March 18, 2021

Vorys on Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness
April 30, 2020