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PRACTICE AREAS

eControl

Litigation

EDUCATION

The Ohio State University
Michael E. Moritz College of Law,
J.D., 2008

Miami University, B.A., 2005

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the
Sixth Circuit

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

*Admitted to practice law only in
the states listed above.*

Martha is a partner in the Vorys Columbus office and a member of the litigation practice group. Her practice focuses on complex business, commercial, contract litigation, and Vorys eControl and she has significant experience in counseling large commercial clients related to potential litigation, the collection and review of e-discovery productions, and general best business practices.

As part of the Vorys eControl team, Martha counsels businesses on issues related to e-commerce and online brand protection, combating illegal online sales and development legal claims against unauthorized online sellers.

Martha also assists clients in the collection and review of e-discovery productions. She works with clients to understand how their information is stored and retrieved across their electronic systems and has opposed e-discovery requests on the grounds of undue burden and cost. She also has experience assisting clients in the collection and review of electronically stored documents in response to subpoenas by a federal agency.

Her notable experience includes:

- Serving as second chair in a two-week trial, securing \$11.6 million verdict in favor of client
- Serving as second chair in over ten bench and jury trials and multi-day preliminary injunction hearings in both state court and federal district court
- Serving on team successfully representing a group of land owners in original mandamus action before Ohio Supreme Court and securing jury verdicts in favor of land owner clients up to four times the original offer from the condemner
- Serving as in house counsel in months-long secondments at two Fortune 50 companies
- Serving on a team to defeat a class action involving a FCRA claim before the United States Southern District of Ohio
- Serving on a team involving a pending Consumer Sales Practices Act class certification in the Franklin County Common Pleas Court

Martha received her J.D. *magna cum laude* from The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law, where she was a member of the Order of the Coif and President of the Student Bar Association. She received her B.A. from Miami University.

Insights

"*Client Alert: Ohio Judge Rules Preemption May Still Be Valid Defense, Even After U.S. Supreme Court's Levine Decision,*" March 27, 2009

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Professional and Community Activities

Nationwide Children's Hospital Black Tie Ball, Chairperson, 2011, 2012; member 2009-2017

Honors and Awards

Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Stars, General Litigation, 2013-2022

Michael E. Moritz Leadership Award, 2007-2008 and 2006-2007

The Ohio State University Outstanding Professional Student Award, 2007

Events

eCommerce Litigation – Frequently Seen Disputes & Strategies For Addressing Them
February 2, 2021

Inaugural eControl360 Summit to Address Growing Challenges for Brands in the Amazon Age
November 6, 2019

2012 OAPCS 6th Annual State Conference: “Crisis Management: Tips and tactics for Navigating Tumultuous Times”
October 9, 2012

Privilege. Privacy. Preservation. Managing Risks with Electronic Communications Seminar
April 26, 2012

2011 OAPCS 5th Annual State Conference: “Cultivating Achievement Through Good Corporate Governance”
December 7, 2011

2011 OAPCS Charter School Law Workshop: “Proactive Board Governance with Emphasis on Recent Cheating Scandals”
September 16, 2011

Construction Law Forum
September 6, 2011

2010 OAPCS 3rd Annual State Conference: “Why it’s Great Policy to Have Good Policies: Good Corporate Governance”
November 11, 2010

2009 OAPCS 2nd Annual State Conference: “Good Corporate Governance for Public Charter/Community Schools in Ohio”
November 16, 2009