



Kevin J. Kelley

of counsel

Kevin focuses his practice on business competition advice and complex commercial litigation. Kevin has successfully defended and prosecuted cases in Ohio state courts, handled the enforcement of non-compete agreements, corporate fraud investigations, employment separation agreements, contract review and negotiation, business litigation and shareholder buy-out matters.

In addition to his legal practice, Kevin serves as the president of Cleveland City Council. As Cleveland City Council president, Kevin presides over all legislative matters in the City of Cleveland, deciding what legislation will be considered by the council and determining the weekly legislative calendar. In addition, he is the chairman of the council's Public Finance Committee, which gives legislative authority to all city expenditures. Kevin's service on Cleveland City Council provides him with a unique perspective and knowledge of municipal law and the legal issues facing public sector entities.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

PRESENTATIONS

- "Cleveland Post-COVID-19: What's Next for our Business Community?" Porter Wright, June 25, 2020

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- American Bar Association

COMMUNITY

- Cleveland City Council, President
- Tri-C Visiting Committee for Workforce Development, Board of Visitors
- Downtown Cleveland Improvement Corporation, Board of Directors
- Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation, Board of Directors
- Housing Justice Alliance, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, Member

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EDUCATION

Cleveland-Marshall College of Law,
J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2004

Case Western Reserve University,
M.S., 1996

Marquette University, B.S., 1990

SERVICES

Litigation

- Commercial litigation
- Non-competition and trade secrets litigation

Business Competition, Advice & Litigation

- Non-competition and trade secret counseling and litigation
- Non-compete, non-solicitation, non-recruitment and non-disclosure agreements
- Competitive interference claims

- First Year Cleveland, Founder, Executive Committee member
- Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association, honorary trustee
- Cleveland Public Library, Board of Trustees, former Trustee
- Parkworks Cleveland, Board of Trustees, former Trustee

SERVICES (CONTINUED)

Business Growth & Operation

- Business transactions

Labor & Employment

- Employment law compliance counseling
- Wage and hour compliance