



Justin J. Joyce

partner

Justin is the chair of the firm's Transportation and Logistics Practice Group. Justin concentrates his practice on construction, transportation and logistics, commercial litigation, and advising startups and emerging businesses. He has significant experience litigating pharmaceutical, medical device and consumer product claims, including those related to anti-seizure medications and hormone replacement therapy. He has also successfully represented product manufacturers and other businesses in contractual disputes.

Justin has worked extensively in the area of investment recovery to assist those defrauded in Ponzi schemes. He also has appellate experience in state and federal courts. Justin advises clients not only before a lawsuit is filed to try to avoid a dispute, but also during all stages of the litigation process.

His experience in the construction industry includes working with local governments to obtain zoning approvals and variances for builders. Justin also represents owners, contractors and material supplies in various construction disputes. Justin also counsels clients on insurance issues, including coverage issues, and advises companies on shipping and transportation needs.

Prior to joining Porter Wright, Justin developed his understanding of the plaintiff's perspective through his work at a mass tort litigation firm. He also served as a judicial extern to the Honorable R. Guy Cole, Jr., Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Successfully negotiated carrier agreements for product manufacturers
- Advised clients on issues related to goods lost or damaged while in transport
- Represented many foreign investors whose funds were taken pursuant to an alleged Ponzi scheme
- Defended pharmaceutical manufacturers in a product liability action alleging that their product was toxic

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EDUCATION

The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2013

Miami University, B.A., 2010

SERVICES

Litigation

- Transportation and logistics
- Arbitration and mediation
- Class actions, mass torts and MDLs
- E-Discovery
- Non-competition and trade secrets litigation
- Insurance litigation

Business Competition, Advice & Litigation

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

- Defended apparel manufacturer in a product liability action alleging a defective product caused harm
- Successfully defended companies in matters before the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, the Kentucky Court of Appeals and the Kentucky Supreme Court
- Representing a large gas and convenience store chain in a number of personal injury and premises liability actions
- Defended a large law firm in a legal malpractice action
- Defended employee in an action brought by their former employer alleging that the employee took trade secrets when they left the company
- Represented a number of businesses in breach of contract actions
- Successfully arbitrated a dispute between shareholders regarding the division of corporate assets
- Represented a building owner in a construction dispute related to water intrusion in a manufacturing plant
- Prosecuted bad faith action against an insurance company to secure insurance coverage for a material supplier
- Works with clients to structure transportation services in ways that are advantageous from a liability, tax and operational standpoint
- Represents international clients evaluating United States transportation issues, including the pursuit of claims in the United States

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- Kentucky
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky

PRESENTATIONS

- "Arbitration Provisions and Conflicting Language," Association of Corporate Counsel Southwest Ohio, Sept. 22, 2022
- "The Legal Landscape of Social Networks," Southwestern Ohio Association of Corporate Counsel, Nov. 17, 2021
- "Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 2015 Amendment Update: Proportionality, Principles and Perspectives," Federal Bar Association's 2018 Annual Meeting, Sept. 14, 2018
- "Wrongful Death Litigation: Start-to-Finish," National Business Institute, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- "It's out of my hands ... or is it?," *Rx - For The Defense*, Nov. 1, 2021

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Cincinnati Bar Association, Admissions Committee

SERVICES (CONTINUED)

Construction

Real Estate

- Construction and design contracts

- Potter Stewart Inn of Court

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