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FIRM PROFILE

FAST FACTS

- **Managing Partner**
Brian T. Gannon
 - **Year Founded**
1958
 - **Offices**
Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, Akron, Sandusky, Toledo, Youngstown, Dayton, Ft. Mitchell, Lexington, Louisville, Indianapolis, Ft. Wayne, Northwest Indiana, Evansville
 - **Number of Practice Groups**
40
 - **Website**
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We are proud of our reputation not only as a seasoned litigation firm with a diverse client base, but also as a sophisticated provider of legal services encompassing real estate, corporate, business, tax, estate planning, probate disputes and more.

Reminger services clients ranging from Fortune 500 companies to small businesses and individuals. No matter the legal issue, our attorneys strive to provide a thoughtful and practical solution that keeps our clients' goals, budget and expectations at the forefront.

We have fifteen strategically located offices, enabling us to efficiently serve our clients on a statewide and regional basis.

Based in America's heartland yet delivering global reach, Reminger provides our clients with the best of both worlds: the knowledge and skill set of a larger firm, combined with the personal attention you would expect from a smaller firm. We follow the guiding principles of a zealous commitment to our clients and a no-nonsense approach to legal counsel.

OUR PHILOSOPHY: RESULTS. PERIOD.



Our fundamental objective in all the legal services we provide is to obtain the best possible result for our clients in the most efficient manner possible.



LITIGATION



With a rich legacy as tough-as-nails litigators, our attorneys defend civil cases at jury trials, arbitrations, mediations, and in other administrative and alternative dispute resolution processes. Our extensive client base ranges from Fortune 500 corporations to virtually every major insurance carrier.

• **MEDICAL MALPRACTICE:** A leader in the area of medical malpractice and hospital defense, Reminger is dedicated to the representation of physicians, hospitals, nurses, nursing homes and ancillary service providers in virtually every area of the healing arts.

Reminger is engaged by malpractice insurance carriers across the country. Our years of experience, vast understanding of the law and success in the courtroom makes us a sound choice for matters involving litigation.

Our attorneys have the benefit of a team of legal nurse consultants that contributes to Reminger having the broadest experience in medical malpractice defense. Our approach includes:

- Pursuing all avenues of early dismissal
- Preparing witnesses thoroughly
- Retaining meaningful and appropriate medical experts
- Implementing effective and creative trial strategies utilizing our team of proven and experienced medical malpractice defense lawyers

Representative Clients: Bon Secours Mercy Health, Children's Hospital of Akron, Dayton Children's Hospital, Elyria Memorial, Firelands Hospital, Kettering Health Network, MetroHealth Medical Center, Mount Carmel Health System, Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, Premier Health Select Specialty Hospital, Summa Health System, TeamHealth, The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Trinity Health, University Hospital of Cleveland, University of Cincinnati Medical Center, US Acute Care Solutions

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: AIG, Chubb, Coverys, CNA Insurance, IronHealth / IronShore Management, Nationwide, NORCAL Insurance Group/Medicus Insurance, OHA Insurance, Ophthalmic Mutual Insurance Company, PICA, ProAssurance, Professional Solutions Insurance Company, The Doctors Company, The Medical

Protective Company, Western Litigation, Zurich Insurance

• **HEALTH CARE:** We represent a wide array of healthcare providers including healthcare systems, hospitals, nursing homes, medical staffs, assisted living facilities, physician groups, dentists, and specialty clinics with regulatory matters including compliance and issues involving licensing, business transactions and litigation. Additionally, we represent individual healthcare providers from all disciplines with regards to administrative board investigations and hearings.

Representative Clients: Blanchard Valley Regional Health Center, Mercy Health, TeamHealth

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: In the area of the defense of individual physicians, we are pleased to have ongoing referral relationships with all of the major medical malpractice insurance carriers in the State of Ohio including AIG, CNA Insurance, Hudson Insurance, OHA Insurance Solutions, PICA, ProAssurance, The Doctors' Company, and The Medical Protective Company, as well as with major health care systems, such as University Hospitals Health System.

• **DENTAL LIABILITY:** Our Dental Liability group combines extensive experience and expertise in the defense of dentists, including all of the recognized dental specialties. Collectively, we have defended more than 1,000 dental malpractice cases and have significant experience in the representation of dentists before the state licensing boards and agencies.

Representative Clients: Arch Insurance Company, CNA Insurance Company, Cincinnati Insurance Company, Dentist's Advantage Insurance Company, Fortress Insurance Company, OMS National Insurance Company, Professional Solutions Liability Insurance Company, The Doctors Company, The Medical Protective Company, Hudson Insurance, Berkley

Select American Association of Orthodontists and Aspen Specialty

• **LONG-TERM CARE:** Our Long-Term Care Litigation Defense group is an innovator in the complex arena of long-term care law. The attorneys within our group are seasoned litigators with extensive experience in falls, pressure sores, dehydration, and elopement, as well as the defense of claims that form the basis of most long-term care litigation.

Representative Clients: Brookdale Senior Living, Caring Communities, Genesis Healthcare, HCR ManorCare, Trilogy Health Services

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: AIG, CNA, Church Mutual Insurance Company, Cincinnati Insurance, Hamlin & Burton, HIS, Ironshore, Markel Insurance Company, OneBeacon Professional, Sedgwick, Zurich Healthcare

• **TRANSPORTATION:** A nationally recognized leader in the defense of commercial transportation risks from the routine to the catastrophic, our Trucking and Commercial Transportation practice group provides organized, thoughtful and aggressive representation. Composed of lawyers in our offices throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, our department leaders have extensive trial experience in the specialized area of transportation losses. Our team of lawyers are available on call 24/7 for 'on-scene' assignments.

Representative Clients: ABF Freight Systems, Central Transport, FedEx, Heartland Express, Interstate Distributors, J.B. Hunt, Knight Transportation, Landstar Systems, Millis Transfer, Roadlink USA National, Swift Transportation, USA Truck, Waste Management, Werner Transportation, YRC Worldwide

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: AIG, Carl Warren, Carolina Casualty, Cherokee Insurance,



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Cottingham and Butler, Gallagher Bassett, Great West Casualty Company, Liberty Bell, Markel, National Indemnity, North American Risk, Occidental, Protective Insurance, RLI, Sedgwick, Westfield Insurance, Zurich Insurance

• BUSINESS & COMMERCIAL LITIGATION:

Our recognized group of attorneys in the Business & Commercial Litigation Group aggressively represent small, local businesses to large, national companies with the same dedication as if the business was their own. They regularly represent businesses in the healthcare, manufacturing, retail, automotive, aviation, distribution, and construction industries in every type of dispute, including unfair competition or deceptive trade practices, misappropriation of trade secrets, violation of employment agreements and non-competes, vendor disputes, breaches of contracts or leases, or partnership disputes. Whether avoiding a business dispute through a simple letter or resolving it through a trial, this team of leading business attorneys help clients achieve the right result.

• **PRODUCTS LIABILITY:** Our firm represents manufacturers, importers, and distributors of various products including automobiles, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, and industrial machinery. We serve major multinational corporations as well as small market entrepreneurs. Our firm has likewise developed substantial expertise representing clients in regulatory matters with the FDA and CPSC.

Representative Clients: American Honda Motor Co., Inc., Bradford White Corporation, Conair (Cuisinart), Gould, Inc., Heil Co., Hyundai Motors America, Kia Motors of America, Mannesman Demag AG, Mazda Motor America Inc., Mercedes Benz USA, Mitsubishi, Porsche Cars North America, Saint Gobain Corp, Subaru of America, Toyota Motor Sales USA, Volkswagen of America, Volvo Cars of North America, Wal-Mart, Wellcraft Marine

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Allianz Insurance, Hartford, Tokyo Fire and Marine, Travelers

• **TOXIC TORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION:** Our team of lawyers are

especially prepared to deal with the influx of multi-party mass tort litigation involving products such as asbestos, formaldehyde, DES and industrial chemicals. We are also regularly called upon to consult with and represent companies with proactive environmental policies seeking to reconcile the myriad of problems which can and do arise under the CERCLA and RCRA laws. This representation has even involved Oil Pipeline projects throughout the United States.

Representative Clients: Genuine Parts Company, National Automotive Parts Association, Citrus & Allied Essences, Ltd., Inventure Foods, Inc., and Griffith Foods Group Inc.

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Markel Property and Casualty, Travelers Insurance, Berkley, Cincinnati Insurance, and Zurich.

• **PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY:** We have extensive experience defending, counseling and problem-solving for a wide range of non-medical professions, including lawyers and financial services professionals. Professional Liability claims are not limited to just these areas however, as we also provide legal services to architects, engineers, construction professionals, human resources professionals, real estate agents, mortgage brokers, debt collectors, insurance agents, as well as a wide range of other disciplines, all of which share the same general context for evaluation of risk and liability.

Representative Clients: AmTrust, Arch Insurance Group, Aspen Specialty, CNA, Chubb, Great American Insurance Co., Hartford Financial Group, Everest, Markel, Ohio Bar Liability Insurance Co., MedMarc LawyerCare, SwissRe/Westport, Travelers Bond, Zurich North America

• **ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS/ CONSTRUCTION LIABILITY:** Our Construction Design and Liability Group represents owners, contractors, subcontractors, architects, and engineers. In addition to state and federal trial court proceedings, we also handle many of these disputes pursuant to the unique procedures of the American Arbitration Association.

Representative Clients: American Structurepoint, Austin Building & Design, Ford Associates Architects, Great Lakes Construction Company, Kokosing Construction, Legacy Health Services, Miles Mechanical, Shenberger Associates, Solar Testing Laboratories, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., The Shelly Company, Trumbull County Engineer, Turner Construction Company

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Argo Insurance, Beazley Group, Berkley Alliance, Chubb, CNA, Cincinnati Insurance Company, Colony Insurance, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Markel Insurance, Ohio Casualty, Westfield Insurance, Zurich Insurance

• INSURANCE COVERAGE/BAD FAITH:

Our firm keeps pace with the sophisticated insurance coverage issues litigated between insureds and their insurers throughout the country; particularly in the context of automobile, commercial, professional and environmental liability policies.

Representative Clients: AIG, Allianz Global Risks, American Modern Home Insurance, American National Property Insurance and Casualty, CNA, Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's, Cincinnati Insurance Company, ESurance, General Star Management Company, Great American Insurance Company, Great West Casualty Company, Insurance Environmental Litigation Association, Mennonite Mutual Insurance Company, National Chiropractic Mutual Insurance, Old Republic Companies, One Beacon Insurance Company, SOMPO International, Swiss RE, Travelers Insurance Company, Voya Financial, and various London market companies

• GENERAL CASUALTY/EXCESS AND SURPLUS LINES:

The firm continues to maintain its strong tradition of providing high quality and reasonably priced services in defending general casualty lawsuits including automobile liability, premises liability and other related matters through personal and commercial lines insurance carriers as excess and surplus carriers. We also have a specific expertise in defending claims against concert venues, sports arenas, professional sports teams, retailers, restaurants, amusement



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and recreational facilities, and other places of public accommodation.

Representative Clients: Macy's, Save-A-Lot
Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Allianz, America Insurance Group, American International Group, American National Property & Casualty Company, CNA, Cambridge Integrated Services, Empire Fire and Marine, Employers Re, Fireman's Fund, First State Management Group, GEICO Direct, Liberty Mutual, Philadelphia Insurance Company, Progressive Insurance Company, QBE, Travelers, Underwriters at Lloyds, Zurich American, Zurich Re

• RETAIL, HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT LIABILITY:

Each of Reminger's offices has a strong core of lawyers with expertise in retail and hospitality liability claims. We vigorously defend against all types of claims including the traditional adulterated food, 'slip/trip and fall,' and 'falling object' cases, as well as the high exposure false arrest, pharmaceutical negligence, negligent security, and dram shop liability matters. In addition, we counsel these same clients about risk management, safety concerns and post-accident investigation.

Representative Clients: Wal-Mart, Dollar General, Darden Restaurants, Menard, Inc., Macy's Corporate Services, SuperValu Inc., Cinemark.

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Zurich-America Insurance Group, Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.

• EMPLOYMENT /CIVIL RIGHTS LITIGATION:

Our employment practices group attorneys represent employers in a wide array of litigation matters including claims for wrongful termination, sexual harassment, employment discrimination, breach of employment contracts, and claims for wrongful termination in violation of public policy. We also consult with employer-clients frequently on issues to manage their risk of claims which includes: employee handbook evaluations, policy revisions, harassment/discrimination training, wage and hour audits, non-compete agreements and any other issue arising in the employment context.

Our attorneys also handle other non-traditional disputes such as trade secret violations, employee benefits disputes,

wage and hour claims, Department of Labor investigations and many other issues arising from the employment relationship.

Representative Clients: CARE Center Veterinarians, ChanTest, Inc., Dunn Hardware, Inc., HuDawn Facility Solutions, Lake County Probate Court, Mayfran International, Melink Corporation, Northern Ohio Food Terminal, Pepsi Bottling Company, State Industrial Products, The Lincoln Electric Company

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: Chubb Insurance Company, CNA, Markel Insurance, RSUI Group, Travelers, Underwriters at Lloyds, Zurich

• DIRECTORS & OFFICERS LIABILITY: We work with professional liability insurers to defend claims confronting directors and officers in the modern business world. Whatever the civil or regulatory challenges facing directors and officers, we understand that these matters must be met swiftly while minimizing disruption to business pursuits. We are sensitive to the collateral implications of legal distractions, and we work together with clients and D&O insurance providers to tackle legal issues strategically.

Our attorneys handle a wide variety of corporate governance matters, including derivative actions, shareholder claims, employee disputes, regulatory investigations and alleged violations, and securities class actions. We strive to position our clients to successfully defend the legal task at hand, and we advise them how to avoid similar pitfalls in the future.

Representative Clients: AIG, Chubb, CNA, Community Association Underwriters of America, Travelers

• SECURITIES LITIGATION: We represent broker-dealers, registered representatives, investment advisors, and other financial professionals in Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) arbitrations, American Arbitration Association (AAA) arbitrations, as well as state and federal court litigation.

Representative Clients: Cambridge Investment Research, Inc., Cetera Financial

Group/Cetera Advisors Networks, Glenmede Trust Company, N.A., Lincoln Financial Group, Lincoln Investment, LPL Financial Holdings, MML Investors Services, LLC

• GOVERNMENTAL/PUBLIC ENTITY

LIABILITY: We are actively involved in representing numerous governmental entities and public officials, either directly or through their insurers in civil rights, employment, zoning, and land use planning claims. We also represent educational institutions and school boards throughout the Midwest.

Representative Clients: Allied World, Arch Insurance, Cleveland Metroparks, HAS, Tokio Marine HCC – Public Risk Group, Municipal Insurance Alliance, Ohio Government Risk Management Plan, OTARMA, Public Entities Pool administered by American Risk Pooling Consultants, Inc., Multiple Ohio municipalities, villages and townships, the City of Newark, the City of Chillicothe, the City of Bridgeport, Etna Township, Village of Lincoln Heights, Monroe Township, Pleasant Township, Franklin Township, Liberty Township, Bennington Township, Village of Bethesda, City of Washington Court House, Lucas County, Ross County Agricultural Society, Washington County Agricultural Society, Muskingum County Agricultural Society and Washington County Health District

• WORKERS' COMPENSATION: With practice group members in multiple offices located throughout Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, we are able to strategically represent our clients before the administrative agencies and State and Federal courts responsible for adjudicating actions alleging occupational injuries, occupational diseases, and repetitive trauma injuries. As part of this work our lawyers are also skilled in defending our clients in those instances which assert a civil penalty should be levied against the employer for allegedly violating established safety requirements. Finally, our lawyers have a select set of skills that make them uniquely qualified to counsel employers, their insurance carriers and third-party administrators in matters concerning coverage and classification disputes.

Representative Clients: ADP-Totalsource, Inc., ArcBest Corporation, Dollar General



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Corporation, Marriott International, Inc., Macy's, MillerCoors, Old Castle Materials, Pepsi Americas, Swift Transportation, The Shelly Company

Insurance Carriers/TPAs: *AIG, ESIS, Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc., Hartford Insurance, Helmsman Management Services, Inc., Kentucky Employer Safety Association, Liberty Mutual, Sedgwick CMS, Westfield Insurance Company*

• **APPELLATE ADVOCACY:** We are adept at handling appeals before all appellate courts throughout Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. Our attorneys possess keen knowledge of appellate procedures, as well as a talent for the art of persuasion. We are also always available to consult with clients regarding issues that commonly arise before an appeal is filed, including:

- Complex Trial Issues
- Post Trial Motions
- Prejudgment Interest Proceedings

• **OIL & GAS LITIGATION:** Our oil and gas law attorneys develop and execute highly effective strategies for our clients who are facing legal disputes. We are experienced litigators who have helped our clients navigate complex legal issues at both the trial and appellate level, in mediations and in other alternative dispute resolution processes. We are skilled in representing both large corporations and individuals in the following matters:

- Issues pertaining to horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing
- Surface use issues involving severed mineral estates
- Abandoned mineral interests under the Ohio Dormant Mineral Act
- Pipeline Rights of way and easements
- Ownership of the surface and subsurface estates in real property
- Trespassing
- Contractual disputes involving property rights
- Surface damage or bodily injury claims resulting from drilling operations
- Investment disputes surrounding the ownership of mineral rights

• **EDISCOVERY:** The prevalence of electronically stored information (ESI) has led to eDiscovery being a fact of life in most litigation matters. Our eDiscovery practice group is comprised of seasoned litigators who understand the legal and strategic issues related to eDiscovery. Our attorneys understand the changing legal standards and guide clients through every phase of electronic discovery, including the identification, preservation, collection, processing, review, analysis and production of electronic data and documents.

• **PHARMACEUTICAL, MEDICAL DEVICE, LIFE SCIENCES:** Our Pharmaceutical, Medical Device, and Life Sciences practice group handles the burden of litigation so that our clients can return to their core mission. Reminger has served as national counsel to pharmaceutical, life science, and medical device clients, providing consistent and efficient service across the country on a case-by-case basis and through the daunting process of multi-district litigation. By using creative solutions, we are able to meet our clients' needs.

• **CANNABIS & HEMP LAW:** We are uniquely equipped to guide cannabis and hemp businesses through the unique issues of this emerging industry, including:

- Product safety and liability, including flavor and fragrance matters
- Labor and employment matters
- Workers' compensation claims
- Business liability and trade disputes
- Premises liability

Additionally, we provide proactive counsel to marijuana and hemp cultivators, dispensers, and suppliers to advance their business operations, enhance their profitability, and minimize risk.



CORPORATE PRACTICE



Our Corporate Practice is comprised of our transactional work and the advisement of companies on the many legal issues encountered on a routine basis. We pride ourselves on providing practical and creative solutions to the sophisticated challenges in today's complex financing and business environment. Our attorneys provide responsive and efficient solutions to the needs of our corporate clients, rendering us as effective in the boardroom as the courtroom.

• **CORPORATE/GENERAL BUSINESS:** We have extensive experience in mergers and acquisitions, business and asset sales and divestitures, leveraged buy outs, bank financing, contract negotiation, shareholder agreements and disputes (including, buy-sell agreements and stock option arrangements), and representation regarding personnel, executive compensation, labor and employment issues and benefits.

We provide succession planning for closely held businesses, corporate and personal tax planning, and representation involving disputes in administrative agencies and tribunals. Our firm also provides entity creation and selection services including determining the proper business entity type and creating all of the necessary corporate documentation for start-up businesses.

Our client base in our Corporate & General Business Group is diverse in size, geography and in the industries represented, including manufacturing, national retailers, transportation, health care, medical equipment, insurance brokers and agents, construction, hotels and hospitality, horticulture and farming, liquor establishments and restaurants, professional services and real estate developers.

• **REAL ESTATE:** We represent buyers, sellers, shopping centers, industrial and commercial developers, syndicators, Realtors, and title insurance agencies and companies. We also have extensive experience in representing clients involved in the acquisition and sale of commercial real estate, development of commercial real estate, leasing, and obtaining financing for the acquisition and development of real estate. Our practice also includes representation regarding zoning issues and the litigation of disputes involving title, possession and tax controversies.

Our client base in the Real Estate Practice Group is diverse in size, geography and in the clients represented, including manufacturing, national retailers, transportation, health care, medical equipment, insurance brokers and agents, construction, professional services and real estate brokers and agents. Representative clients include Developers Diversified, Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC and Stewart Title Guaranty Co.

• **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY:** Our IP Practice Group partners with businesses of all sizes to understand, leverage, and protect the value of their intellectual property. Our litigators protect and enforce IP rights in state, federal and appellate courts across the country, before the ITC, PTAB and CAFC, through mediation, arbitration, and out-of-court settlements. We also assist clients in the searching, drafting, and prosecuting of trademarks (trade dress), patents, and copyrights.

• **E-COMMERCE AND CYBER RISK:** In the ever growing areas of E-commerce and cyber risks, our practice group provides knowledgeable and practical representation in defense of technology related errors & omission claims involving the multiple areas of internet service providers such as software and web page developers, network maintenance and security, data privacy, and computer staffing services.

Representative Clients: Darice, Inc., Tdata, Inc., Metaris, Inc., and NetShape Technologies

• **FINANCIAL REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT:** We provide proactive, efficient and cost-effective consulting services, counseling, advocacy and representation to broker-dealers and investment advisors and their registered and

licensed personnel. We proactively position our clients to minimize their risk of negative consequences or further proceedings arising from examinations, inquiries and investigations, and to maximize the likelihood of favorable outcomes in enforcement proceedings that do arise.

• **OIL, GAS & MINERAL RIGHTS:** Our oil and gas law attorneys are accomplished in proactively addressing the wide spectrum of issues facing energy companies, surface owners and mineral owners, including:

- Reviewing titles and deeds to determine extent of ownership
- Negotiating lease terms, service agreements and royalties
- Drafting participation agreements and turnkey drilling contracts
- Providing counsel regarding offers to locate ancillary oil and gas facilities on landowners' property
- Assessing property and crop damage
- Counseling on state and federal regulatory compliance

• **RETAIL, HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT:** Each of Reminger's offices has a strong core of lawyers with expertise in retail and hospitality liability claims. We vigorously defend against all types of claims including the traditional adulterated food, 'slip/trip and fall', and 'falling object' cases, as well as the high exposure false arrest, pharmaceutical negligence, negligent security, and dram shop liability matters. In addition, we counsel these same clients about risk management, safety concerns and post-accident investigation.



ESTATE & PROBATE PRACTICE



Our Estate and Probate Practice is devoted to Estate Planning, Estate/Trust/Guardianship Administration, Elder Care and Special Needs Planning, and litigation involving Estates, Trusts, and incompetent individuals. On a daily basis in the Probate Courts, our lawyers tackle problems involving financial exploitation, misuse of fiduciary powers, and questions involving the validity of estate planning documents.

• **ESTATE PLANNING:** We have decades of experience in providing estate planning advice and design to preserve assets and to attain personal and family goals while minimizing the income, gift, estate, and generation-skipping taxes associated with the lifetime and/or testamentary transfer of wealth.

We receive repeated client referrals from attorneys at other law firms, accountants, investment advisors, and financial planning professionals, as well as from our existing clients. In most cases, we are able to offer our services on a fixed fee basis so that our clients do not feel constrained from exploring fully their estate planning needs and goals.

• **PROBATE ADMINISTRATION, TRUST ADMINISTRATION AND GUARDIANSHIPS:** Families are increasingly finding themselves in conflict regarding the complex issues that face the growing elderly population. Disagreements as to medical treatment, placement, care, and control of finances, as well as protection from financial exploitation are typically resolved through the process of guardianships at the probate court. Our probate litigators have unique insight into the guardianship process and frequently deal with issues surrounding the appointment of guardians or their removal, including issues of jurisdiction, placement, and care.

• **ELDER LAW AND SPECIAL NEEDS PLANNING:** The Elder and Special Needs Group is committed to providing compassionate and efficient legal service to elderly individuals and their families, as well as families of children with special needs and disabled individuals. Our services include Medicaid Planning, Veterans Benefits, Asset Protection and Special Needs Planning. In addition, we can assist with estate planning, probate and estate administration, and guardianship issues.

• **PROBATE AND TRUST LITIGATION:** We have more than 100 combined years of experience guiding clients through Ohio's probate and estate administration systems. Our probate and trust litigation group members are seasoned trial attorneys who are comfortable taking a case to trial. Our estate dispute attorneys prosecute and defend cases before mediators, arbitrators, magistrates, judges, and juries throughout Ohio. We handle a variety of issues surrounding estate and trust litigation, including:

- Will contests, including the prosecution and defense of validity of wills
- Trust contests
- Disputes over the meaning of words and clauses as written in Trusts, Wills and other donative instruments,

otherwise known as Construction cases.

- Concealment of asset actions
- Representation of fiduciaries and beneficiaries in matters of mismanagement of assets and breach of trust
- Removal or replacement of executors, trustees, or guardians
- Contested Guardianship matters including disputes over incompetence determinations, choice of guardian, and removal of guardianship.
- Investigation of power of attorney abuse and related claims
- Invalidation of documents due to claims of undue influence, elder exploitation, lack of capacity and incompetence
- Representation of parties in farm inheritance disputes

Representative Clients: PNC Bank, Farmers Trust Company



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