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Super Lawyers

Jeff Wedel is a member of the firm's Employment & Labor Group and his practice focuses on litigation. Jeff has extensive trial experience, having tried more than 100 civil and criminal cases to verdict. Jeff regularly defends employers and insurers in all forms of employment discrimination, retaliation, and wrongful discharge cases. He has defended employers throughout the country and has tried cases in Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Virginia, and Connecticut.

Jeff's litigation experience is wide ranging and includes defending employers in discrimination, retaliation, whistleblower and ADA public accommodation claims. Jeff also defends employers and manufacturers involving intentional torts, chemical exposure, and other toxic tort claims. He represents employers in ERISA and employee benefits litigation, enforcement and defense of confidentiality agreements, covenants not to compete, and trade secret agreements.

Jeff is also a member of the Ohio State Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section Council. He is recognized as a leading lawyer in his field, having been listed in *Ohio Super Lawyers* since 2010 and in *The Best Lawyers in America* each year since 2006.

In his free time, Jeff enjoys spending time with his three kids, travelling and collecting wine.



“A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”

– Winston S. Churchill

Education

Thomas M. Cooley Law School
J.D., *Summa Cum Laude*, 1983

Dickinson College – B.A., 1979

Admissions

State: Ohio

Federal: U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

Federal: U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

Federal: U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

Federal: U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

Federal: U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan

Federal: U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

Federal: U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio

Memberships

American Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association

Labor & Employment Law Section Council

Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association

Commendations

Best Lawyers (2006 – 2022)

Ohio Super Lawyers (2009 – 2022)

Reported Cases

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Ohio, Inc. v. Cleveland Metro. Sch. Dist., 600 Fed. App'x 448 (6th Cir. 2015)

Zafirau v. Cleveland Mun. Sch. Dist., 448 Fed. App'x 531 (6th Cir. 2011)

Kanoski v. Sterling Paper Co., Case No.: 2:09-CV-0439, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 49083 (S.D. Ohio Apr. 9, 2014)

Lloyd v. Cleveland Clinic Found., 8th Dist. Cuyahoga No. 94957, 2011-Ohio-826.

Kramer v. Midamco, 656 F. Supp. 2d 740 (N.D. Ohio 2009)