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Overview

Justin represents institutional and individual clients in a wide range of complex commercial disputes involving product liability, personal injury, breach of contract, real estate, employment, environmental and public utility-related matters.

Justin has served as first-chair counsel at the trial and appellate levels in both state and federal courts. He has extensive experience managing written and electronic discovery, as well as conducting and defending party, witness and expert depositions. Justin has also prosecuted and defended claims on behalf of clients through alternative dispute resolution forums such as JAMS and the American Arbitration Association.

Representative Matters

- Representation of First Energy and its subsidiaries in jurisdictions across Northeast Ohio in a wide range of matters including suits for personal injury, property damage, trespass and breaches of contract.
- Counsel for major outdoor equipment retailer in products liability and personal injury actions across multiple jurisdictions.
- Representation of Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc., in a consolidated state court proceeding stemming from a natural gas explosion that occurred at a vacant residence in Elyria, Ohio. The lawsuit, brought by both individual homeowners and their subrogated insurance companies, alleges that Columbia Gas and the property owners failed to properly inspect and maintain the piping and equipment used to supply gas to the residence - specifically, the gas meter.

- Member of arbitration team that obtained complete defense victory on $4 million claim, along with $1.3 million award on counterclaim, for international manufacturer headquartered in Silicon Valley in arbitration filed by technology start-up.
- Counsel for major off-road vehicles manufacturer in multiple products liability and personal injury actions in state and federal court across the United States.

Credentials

EDUCATION

- Cleveland State University College of Law, 2011, J.D., *magna cum laude*
- Vanderbilt University, 2004, B.A., Political Science

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Memberships

- Volunteer Magistrate, Cuyahoga County Youth Diversion Program, 2012-Present
- Board Member, Cleveland Metropolitan School District Board of Education, 2015-Present
- Member, Board of Directors of the Adoption Network Cleveland, 2013-2014
- Volunteer, 3R's, 2012

Awards & Recognition

- Listed, *The Best Lawyers in America®* Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation; Product Liability Litigation – Defendants; 2021-2025
- Listed, Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars, 2014-2021
- Listed, The National Black Lawyers – Top 40 Under 40, 2016

News & Insights

- 132 Benesch Attorneys Recognized in 2025 Best Lawyers® Rankings
  August 14, 2024 | Press Releases
- Two Attorneys Join Benesch
  October 30, 2023 | Press Releases
- 28 Benesch Attorneys Named 2019 Ohio Super Lawyers; 16 Named Ohio Rising Stars
  October 30, 2023 | Press Releases
- Benesch continues to grow in size and capability as we add 20 associates to our Cleveland office over the past year.
  October 30, 2023 | Announcements
- Best Lawyers in America® Rankings 2024
  August 17, 2023 | Press Releases
- U.S. News & World Report - Best Lawyers Rankings 2023
  August 18, 2022 | Press Releases
- U.S. News & World Report - Best Lawyers Rankings 2022
  August 19, 2021 | Press Releases
- 19 Benesch Attorneys Named 2021 Ohio Super Lawyers; 19 Named Ohio Rising Stars
  December 8, 2020 | Press Releases
- U.S. News & World Report - Best Lawyers Rankings 2021
  August 20, 2020 | Press Releases
- 22 Benesch Attorneys Named 2020 Ohio Super Lawyers; 16 Named Ohio Rising Stars
  November 27, 2019 | Press Releases