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Practice Areas

eCommerce Litigation
Intellectual Property

Litigation

Patents

Securities, Shareholder Disputes and Corporate Governance

Technology Transactions

Trade Secrets

Trademarks

Education

College of William and Mary, J.D., 1984

Miami University, B.S., 1981

Michael is a partner in the Vorys Cleveland office and a member of the litigation and intellectual property groups. His practice focuses on intellectual property and technology litigation, particularly patent litigation, including the prosecution and defense of patent infringement cases in the computer, telecommunications, medical device, electrical and mechanical fields; the prosecution of anti-piracy cases; the prosecution of software performance cases; and the prosecution and defense of copyright, trademark, trade secret and noncompetition actions.

Michael has tried more than 30 cases and other contested hearings, and has appeared as counsel in more than 100 patent infringement lawsuits, as well as dozens of trademark infringement, copyright infringement and trade secret lawsuits.

Career highlights include:

- Obtained a jury verdict of trademark infringement on behalf of a major brewery against the producer of a root beer branded similarly to the client's iconic marks
- Defeated a motion for preliminary injunction in a patent infringement lawsuit which, if granted, would have shut down the client's manufacturing facilities
- Obtained a jury verdict of nearly \$10 million in a dispute between a foreign high technology equipment manufacturer and a U.S. distributor
- Representing a family-owned company in business for more than 100 years in patent infringement lawsuits against sellers of products competing with the client's market-leading automotive electronics products
- Defeated a motion for preliminary injunction sought against a major consumer products brand owner that would have forced the client to recall an entire product line sold through several of the world's largest general and specialty retail outlets



Bar & Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan

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. District Court, District of Colorado

Admitted to practice law only in the states listed above.

Industries

Financial Institutions

- Successfully defended one of the world's largest retailers and its supplier in trade dress and copyright litigation alleging millions of dollars in damages
- Prosecution of anti-piracy cases for a major international software developer

Michael received his J.D. from the College of William and Mary and his B.S. from Miami University.

Events

1.21.2016

20th Annual Intellectual Property Law: The Year in Review

9.26.2013

23rd All Ohio Annual Institute on Intellectual Property