



Richard D. Schuster

PARTNER

Rick is a partner in the Vorys Columbus office and the leader of the toxic tort practice group. His practice includes serving as national coordinating counsel to several Fortune 500 companies, representing numerous clients state-wide in Ohio in toxic tort actions, advocating for tort reform and significant appellate work.

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Practice Areas

Appellate Practice

Class Actions

Land Use, Zoning, Real Property
and Eminent Domain

Litigation

Mass / Toxic Tort and Product
Liability Litigation

Education

The Ohio State University Moritz
College of Law, J.D., 1981, with
Honors

Miami University, B.A., 1976

Bar & Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth
Circuit

U.S. District Court for the
Northern District of Ohio

U.S. District Court for the
Southern District of Ohio

Admitted to practice law only in

Career highlights include:

- Arguing before the Ohio Supreme Court on procedural and constitutional issues involved with Ohio's asbestos reform
- Testifying before the Ohio General Assembly on various occasions regarding legislation on tort reform, asbestos reform, silica reform and public nuisance reform
- Defending government contractors in several class action lawsuits alleging Price-Anderson Act claims
- Representing a governmental entity in a mandamus action before the Ohio Supreme Court

Rick has participated in a variety of seminars and made presentations on topics related to the expansion of litigation in the lead industry, federal and state toxic tort legislation, medical criteria in Ohio's asbestos legislation, preparing a winning silica case in Ohio and updates in silica litigation.

Rick is a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the Columbus Bar Association.

Rick received his J.D. from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law with honors and his B.A. from Miami University.

Rick served as a law clerk for The Honorable John D. Holschuh of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

the states listed above.

Industries

Manufacturing

Clerkships

The Honorable John D. Holschuh,
United States District Court for
the Southern District of Ohio,
1981-1983

Events

10.8.2020

Vorys On Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness (October 8, 2020)

9.26.2013

National Asbestos Litigation Conference

8.29.2013

Appellate Strategies and Perspectives

3.18.2013

Asbestos Litigation Conference

9.25.2009

Current Developments in Appellate Law on the 200th Anniversary of
Judicial Review in Ohio