



## Webb I. Vorys

PARTNER

### Columbus

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### Practice Areas

Corporate and Business  
Organizations

Franchising and Distribution

Real Estate

### Education

The Ohio State University Moritz  
College of Law, J.D., 1985

*The Ohio State Law Journal*,  
Member, 1983-1985; Executive  
Editor, 1984-1985

Dartmouth College, B.A., 1980

### Bar & Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Court of Appeals for the  
Federal Circuit

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

*Admitted to practice law only in  
the states listed above.*

Webb is a partner in the Vorys Columbus office and a member of the commercial, real estate and energy practice groups. He has extensive experience advising and assisting domestic and international clients with the structure, negotiation and documentation of purchases, sales, licenses and leases of personal and real property, including oil and gas, and matters involving most chapters of the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). He also manages and works in the firm's oil and gas title opinion practice, which focuses primarily on properties located in the Utica shale play.

Webb's representation includes public and private manufacturers, energy companies and service providers. He facilitates their general business needs, including business and asset acquisitions, sales and restructurings, governance, financing, and the formation and proper maintenance of different types of business entities. He also has represented non-profits in projects related to governance, fundraising, board development and other organizational matters.

### Career highlights include:

- Representing a large public restaurant and food service company as outside general counsel
- Representing a large non-profit hospital as outside general counsel
- Establishing and managing the firm's mineral title and opinion practice
- Working for nine months on-site at the headquarters of a global manufacturer as an "embedded" assistant general counsel. Work involved direct handling and disposition of a broad variety of commercial, litigation, real estate, bankruptcy and labor matters
- Representing an original equipment manufacturer (OEM) in the creation of its purchase, bailment, confidentiality and related agreements for use with its worldwide suppliers, as well as negotiating on behalf of the OEM regarding these contracts
- Representing a large service company in the creation of contracts for the purchase of various services needed at its more than 500 locations, including the creation of instructions and training of

## Industries

Energy, Utilities, Oil and Gas

Manufacturing

Retail and Consumer Products

employees regarding the proper use of such contracts

- Representing a large retailer in creation of its purchasing documents and negotiation of those documents with its worldwide vendors

Webb is a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Columbus Bar Association and the Ohio Oil and Gas Association.

Webb is a frequent speaker regarding the purchase and sale of goods and services and issues relating to oil and gas development. Most recently he was invited to speak at the Ohio Oil and Gas Law Conference regarding "Royalty vs. Mineral Reservations and Associated Issues." Prior to that he was invited by the Ohio State Bar Association to speak across Ohio on "Creating Good Contracts – Experiences of a Contract Practitioner: Contract Preparation and Formation."

Webb received his J.D. from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, where he was a member and the executive editor of the *Ohio State Law Journal* and a recipient of the Denis B. Eastman Memorial Award in 1985 for outstanding service to the *Journal*. He received his B.A. from Dartmouth College.

## Events

1.14.2021

Vorys On Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness (January 14, 2021)

5.13.2020

Reopening Your Business: Practical Considerations

5.7.2020

Vorys on Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness (May 7, 2020)

4.23.2020

Vorys on Call: Coronavirus - Return to Work Preparedness (April 23, 2020)

4.2.2020

Vorys on Call: Coronavirus (April 2, 2020)

10.19.2016

Kentucky Mineral Law Conference

5.14.2015

2015 Ohio Oil & Gas Law Seminar

1.25.2012

Entrepreneurial Anywhere

10.27.2011

Health Care Contracting in the 21st Century