

News

Eight Vorys Attorneys Selected as Leading Lawyers by Inside Business Magazine

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The law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP is proud to announce eight attorneys from the Cleveland and Akron offices have been named "2009 Northeast Ohio Leading Lawyers" by *Inside Business* magazine.

Only the top one percent of Northeast Ohio's attorneys is selected for this honor. Winners were nominated by colleagues outside their firms and chosen by a panel of their peers, and are said to be "taking their profession to new heights" by *Inside Business*.

Northeast Ohio Leading Lawyers and their areas of practice are:

F. Daniel Balmert - Litigation, Labor and Employment, Mass Tort Litigation, Product Liability and Workers' Compensation: Mr. Balmert is a partner in the Vorys Akron office and practices in the areas of product litigation, employment law, and workers' compensation. He focuses on defense of employment and product liability matters in federal and state courts in Ohio and surrounding states as well as litigation of mass tort claims involving alleged manganese exposures from welding fumes.

David A. Campbell - Labor and Employment and Litigation: Mr. Campbell is a partner in the Vorys Cleveland office where he practices in the areas of employment litigation, labor, education and employee benefits law. He represents clients in federal courts across the country, in state courts, and before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) and the U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA). His experience includes defense of ERISA claims, enforcement of non-compete agreements, defense of class actions and advising clients on multi-employer benefit plans and issues relating to the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

J. Bruce Hunsicker - Creditors' Rights, Business-Related Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Construction and Real Estate: Mr. Hunsicker is of counsel in the Vorys Akron office and a member of the commercial and real estate group. He has practiced for 27 years in the Akron area focusing on creditor rights, commercial litigation, construction law, real estate and litigation related to real estate issues. Mr. Hunsicker represents many large and small family businesses in the Akron area.

Anthony J. O'Malley - Litigation, Health Care, Class Actions, Financial Institutions Antitrust and Trade Regulation: Mr. O'Malley is the Managing Partner in the Vorys Cleveland office and a member of the litigation group. His trial practice focuses on business and health care litigation. On behalf of businesses and individuals, Mr. O'Malley has served as lead counsel in cases arising under ERISA, the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), the National Bank Act, the Bank Holding Company Act, lender liability laws, state and federal antitrust laws and federal securities laws. He has represented clients



in arbitration before the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and regularly serves as lead counsel in defense of companies in class actions. His class action experience includes matters arising under Ohio's mortgage, insurance, consumer and banking laws. Mr. O'Malley has also been lead counsel in class actions arising under RICO, ERISA and federal banking laws.

Drew T. Parobek- Bankruptcy, Commercial Finance, Commercial Transactions and Financial Institutions: Mr. Parobek is a partner in the Vorys Cleveland office and a member of the commercial and real estate group. He focuses his practice in the areas of bankruptcy, commercial finance, commercial transactions and business law, including collections, creditors' rights, foreclosures, garnishments, lending and secured transactions, reorganizations and restructurings, the Uniform Commercial Code and workouts.

John Read - Bankruptcy, Financial Institutions and Litigation: Mr. Read is a partner in the Vorys Cleveland office and a member of the litigation group. His trial practice focuses on complex litigation on behalf of lenders, employers, utilities and manufacturers in state and federal courts, including bankruptcy courts. Working with lawyers in the Vorys Akron, Columbus and Cincinnati offices, he coordinates Ohio consumer finance and employment litigation for several large out-of-state clients. Additionally, he acts as outside general counsel to an enterprise that owns heating and cooling utilities in Ohio, Michigan and Virginia.

David J. Tocco – Litigation: Mr. Tocco is a partner in the Vorys Cleveland office and a member of the litigation group. His practice focuses on securities litigation, particularly defense of professional liability claims brought against lawyers, accountants and securities dealers. He frequently defends investigations and claims brought by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Thomas R. Trotter - Municipal Finance, Government Relations and Economic Development: Mr. Trotter is of counsel in the Vorys Akron office and a member of the corporate and finance group. He practices in municipal finance and represents issuers and underwriters of tax-exempt bonds. He also assists public bodies in connection with their debt issues and assists private health care providers, manufacturers and developers in publicly assisted debt issues.