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Industries

Consumable Goods

Industrials

Manufacturing

Practice Areas

Business & Commercial Litigation

Consumer Products Litigation

Corporate Law

Fire & Explosion

German Desk

Health Care

International Services

Land Use & Zoning

Litigation

Medical Technology

Outside General Counsel Services

Product Liability

Product, Tort & Insurance Litigation

Real Estate

Tort Defense

Toxic Tort & Chemical Exposure

Bar Memberships

Kentucky

Ohio

Maureen is a trial lawyer who concentrates her practice on the diverse litigation needs of businesses and individuals. Maureen's practice includes national product liability counseling and litigation in a variety of industry sectors, ranging from consumer products to construction and agricultural equipment manufacturers; prosecution and defense of contract disputes, business torts and unfair competition claims; estate litigation; and personal injury and premises liability litigation.

Additionally, Maureen serves on FBT Gibbons' Board of Directors and as the Vice Partner-in-Charge of the Cincinnati office.

Maureen's Relevant Experience

- Represented Fortune 500 Company as first chair in arbitration in $30 million CERCLA remediation action.
- Secured a defense verdict for an international manufacturer of agricultural and construction equipment in a product liability fire case in South Dakota federal court.
- Help lead a regional team as national fire counsel for a manufacturer of agricultural and construction equipment, appearing in state and federal courts across the country.
- Represent manufacturer of durable medical equipment as lead product liability counsel throughout the State of Ohio.
- Serve on a team as national coordinating counsel for a concession equipment and accessories manufacturer in diacetyl litigation.

- Served on a team as international product liability counsel for a consumer goods manufacturer.
- Obtained dismissal of a Fortune 100 company in a wrongful death action for failure to assert valid intentional tort claims as required under Ohio's workers' compensation statutes.
- Successfully represented members of a family-owned business in breach of fiduciary duty litigation.
- Secured a preliminary injunction in favor of IT company for a former employees' breach of a non-competition agreement.
- Obtained voluntary dismissal of a trust dispute in the middle of a bench trial.

Other Info About Maureen

Education

University of Cincinnati College of Law, J.D., 2009, *magna cum laude*

University of Cincinnati Law Review Notes and Comments, Chair, 2008-2009 Associate Member, 2007-2008
Student Bar Association Class Representative Community Service Committee, Chair
Corporate Law Fellow
Negotiations, Teaching Assistant

Capital University, B.A., 2006, *magna cum laude*

Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society
Chi Sigma Alpha, National Athletic Honor Society

Clerkships

Judicial Externship, United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Chief Judge Sandra Beckwith, Aug.-Dec. 2008

Courts

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 2010

United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, 2012

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, 2012

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, 2012

Recognition

The Best Lawyers in America® – Product Liability Litigation — Defendants, 2026-2027

Cincinnati Business Courier's Forty Under 40, 2017

C-Change, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, Class 9

Leadership Cincinnati, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, Class 45

Selected for inclusion in *Ohio Rising Stars®* 2014-2024

YWCA Rising Star, 2010

Professional Affiliations

Ohio State Bar Association, 2009

Cincinnati Bar Association, 2009

Cincinnati Women's Executive Forum, Executive Member

Kentucky Bar Association, 2012

Federal Bar Association

Defense Research Institute

- Product Liability Committee, Steering Committee Member, 2014-present
- Young Lawyers Committee, Steering Committee Member, 2012 – 2015

Civic Activities

ArtsWave, Women's Leadership Roundtable and Campaign Cabinet Committee Member

Cincinnati Business Courier, Women's Mentoring Monday Mentor, 2021-2022

Cincinnati Shakespeare Company, Board Member, 2015-present

Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, Board Member, 2021-present

Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, Vox Futura Board Member, 2019-2020

May We Help, Board of Directors, 2017-present

ProBono Partnership of Ohio, Board Member, 2022-present

United Way of Greater Cincinnati, Board Member, 2023-present

Firm Committees

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging Committee, Member

Featured Articles

U.S. CPSC Takes Big Step Towards Regulating Safety of Products Sold on E-Commerce Platforms

FDA Reverses Exemption of Seven Class I Gloves from 510(k) Premarket Notification Process

FDA Permanently Exempts Seven Class I Gloves from 510(k) Premarket Notification Process

First-Ever Criminal Prosecution for Failure to Report a Hazardous Product Defect

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