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In his role as the Patent Service Team Leader for FBT Gibbons' IP Practice Group, Jeff manages the firm's team of patent attorneys and agents to help them provide the best possible service to their clients. In his own practice, Jeff enjoys working with clients to align their patent strategies with their business goals. He helps clients with all aspects of U.S. and foreign patent preparation and prosecution, including both utility and design patents, and provides patentability, freedom-to-operate, and patent infringement analysis and opinions. He has experience in a wide range of technologies, including electrical components, mechanical and medical devices, construction components, and industrial equipment. In addition to his patent work, Jeff is also involved in drafting and negotiating various types of agreements that cover all types of IP, including nondisclosure/confidentiality agreements, software development agreements, joint development agreements, IP licenses and IP purchase agreements. He also enjoys collaborating with our corporate attorneys by handling various aspects of IP related due diligence for corporate transactions.

Other Info About Jeff

Education

University of Cincinnati College of Law, J.D., 2006, *magna cum laude*
University of Cincinnati Law Review, Associate Member, 2004–2005

Order of the Coif

Class of 1966 Scholarship

University of Cincinnati College of Engineering, B.S., Industrial Engineering, 2003, *summa cum laude*
Institute of Industrial Engineers Award

Courts

Ohio Supreme Court

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Professional Affiliations

Ohio State Bar Association, 2006

Cincinnati Bar Association, 2006

American Bar Association, 2006

United States Patent and Trademark Office, 2008

Civic Activities

Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, Tutor

Tri-State Bleeding Disorder Foundation, Board of Directors and Communication Committee

Firm Committees

Legal Project Management Committee, Member

Sustainability Committee, Member

Major Publications

"Drafting and Negotiating Intellectual Property Representations and Warranties in Business Sale Transactions" IP Section Day-Long CLE Seminar, Louisville Bar Association, June 17, 2008.

"Singing a Different Tune: Was the Sixth Circuit Justified in Changing the Protection of Sound Recordings in *Bridgeport Music, Inc. v. Dimension Films?*," 74 U. Cin. L. Rev. 663 (2005)

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