



## John J. Kulewicz

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Mr. Kulewicz, a partner in the Vorys Columbus office, is a member of the litigation group and head of the firm's appellate practice subgroup. His practice focuses on civil litigation and appeals and includes the trial of numerous cases, leading the pretrial discovery and motions efforts in a broad range of civil actions, and the briefing and arguing of constitutional, statutory, regulatory and common law issues that have arisen in numerous appeals. In addition, he has served on many occasions at the request of federal and state courts as *pro bono* counsel for indigent clients in actions presenting significant questions of law.

Mr. Kulewicz is a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Columbus Bar Association, and the Federal Bar Association.

Mr. Kulewicz received his J.D. from Yale Law School where he was an Editor of the *Yale Law Journal*. He received his B.A. from The Ohio State University.

Mr. Kulewicz clerked for the Honorable Gilbert S. Merritt of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

### Practice Areas

Litigation

### Education

Yale Law School, J.D., 1979  
*Yale Law Journal*, Editor,  
1978–1979

The Ohio State University, B.A.,  
1976

### Judicial Clerkships

The Honorable Gilbert S. Merritt,  
United States Court of Appeals  
for the Sixth Circuit, 1979-1980

### Insights

"*Client Alert: Important Supreme Court of Ohio Decision for Loan Workouts and Lenders,*" April 17, 2014

"*Client Alert: Vorys Wins Decisive Victory on Behalf of Toledo Mayor,*" July 27, 2009

"*Client Alert: Vorys Trial Team Prevails in Medical Privacy Case,*" July 2, 2009

"*Reinventing the Governor: A History of Executive Power under Ohio Law,*" *The History of Ohio Law*, 2004

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"The History of the One-Subject Rule of the Ohio Constitution,"  
*Cleveland State Law Review* (45 *Cleve. St. L. Rev.* 591), 1997

"The Relationship between Military and Civil Power in Ohio,"  
*Cleveland State Law Review* (28 *Cleve. St. L. Rev.* 611), 1979

"Agent Orange: The States Fight Back," *Ohio State Law Journal* (44  
*Ohio St. L.J.* 691), 1983

"Equal Representation of Party Members on Political Party Central  
Committees," *Yale Law Journal* (88 *Yale L.J.* 167), 1978

### Professional and Community Activities

International Center for the Preservation of Wild Animals, Inc. (The Wilds),  
Board of Trustees, 2003-present

Columbus Zoological Park Association, Chairman of the Board, 1999-2000;  
President of the Board, 1997-1998; Board of Trustees, 1982-Present;  
Appointed Board, 1986-present

Federal Bar Association, Columbus Chapter, President, 2004-2005

Ohio Historical Society, Vice President, 2000-2001; Treasurer, 1997-2000,  
2001-2002

Franklin County, Ohio, Democratic Party, Chair, Judicial Recruitment and  
Screening Committee, 1995-2001; Executive Committee, 1985-present

Catholic Social Services, Inc., Chairman of the Board, 1991-1993; Board of  
Trustees, 1987-1994

### Honors and Awards

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Appellate Practice, 2011-2015

*The Best Lawyers in America*, Civil Rights Law, 2013-2015

*Columbus CEO*, Top Lawyers in Columbus, 2010-2014

*Ohio Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation, 2006-2007

Fellow of the Columbus Bar Foundation since 1994

Certificat pratique de français commercial et économique, Paris Chamber of  
Commerce, 1992

Martindale-Hubbell AV Peer Review Rated

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### Events

Appellate Strategies and Perspectives

Emerging Trends in Appellate Practice Litigation from the Practitioners' Perspective

Keeping Pace: Developments in the Regulation of Swimming

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

### Bar and Court Admissions

Ohio

U.S. Supreme Court

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