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Scott is a partner in the Firm's Litigation Department and Chair of its Government and Regulatory Affairs Practice. He concentrates his practice in complex civil litigation, economic development, and government and regulatory affairs.

Litigation

Having successfully tried and resolved cases at all levels and in a variety of venues, Scott's litigation experience is truly far-reaching. Scott's background includes representing and counseling clients in the following areas:

- business and commercial
- intellectual property
- environmental
- class actions
- insurance coverage
- toxic torts
- product liability
- professional liability
- securities
- sports law
- noncompetition agreements
- tax matters
- business wind up
- litigation coordinating counsel
- federal and state appeals

Scott also has worked to improve the efficiency of the legal system, serving several years on the Ohio Supreme Court Task Force on Commercial Dockets, by appointment of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio.

Government and Regulatory Affairs

Scott assists clients with a wide array of matters in the governmental realm, including regulatory matters, economic development, legislative matters, public bid challenges, and elections matters. His experience lends a balanced understanding of needs and opportunities that often bridge the public and private sectors.

Scott is a recognized leader in the regulatory and economic development areas. During 2007 and early 2008, Scott served as the Ohio Governor's Special Representative on Regulatory Reform. In that capacity, he created and implemented the Governor's Advantage Ohio regulatory reform initiative to improve Ohio's business climate, including the Governors' Common Sense Business Regulation effort. Scott presently serves as the Columbus City Council's appointee to Columbus Next Generation Corporation, the City's nonprofit economic development entity. In that capacity, he contributes his experience to the City's most significant economic development challenges.

Professional Associations

- Columbus Bar Association, Homeless Project
- Ohio State Bar Association

Education

- J.D., University of Virginia School of Law, 1983
- A.B., University of Michigan, Economics, with distinction, honors in Economics, 1980
- University of Michigan, 1980 , Graduate work in Public Policy, 1979-1980

Bar Admissions

- State of Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

Honors & Awards

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation
- Martindale-Hubbell®, AV-Rated
- *Ohio Super Lawyers*®, Business Litigation, 2009-2010
- Ohio Chemistry Technology Council, Excellence in Public Service Award, 2007

Community/Civic/Volunteer Work

- Columbus Next Generation Corporation, Board Member
- Ohio Supreme Court Task Force on Commercial Dockets
- Judicial Screening Panel
- Gubernatorial Transition Team
- Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Infrastructure Steering Committee
- Frequent speaker on regulatory reform
- Columbus Bar Association, Homeless Project
- Adjunct Instructor Ohio State University College of Law

Public Service

- Governor's Special Representative on Regulatory Reform 2007-08