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Hannah Smith is a litigator in the areas of white collar criminal defense and business litigation.

Hannah joined Tucker Ellis after spending six years in the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office. As an assistant prosecuting attorney in the General Felony Division, she litigated 65+ trials and disposed of more than 1,200 cases. She also gained experience arguing appellate issues at the Eighth District Court of Appeals.

While in law school, Hannah worked as an extern for the Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office, preparing memoranda and motions on issues related to immigration, confidentiality, medical malpractice, and tax law. Previously, she served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Donald C. Nugent at the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, where she gained valuable insight while observing jury trials, pretrial hearings, and status conferences.

In any free time she can muster, Hannah enjoys attending and participating in sporting events, bouldering, and hiking around her hometown of Cleveland. She is an avid moviegoer and educates herself with random trivia knowledge and crosswords.

Education

- Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (J.D., cum laude, 2013); Civil Litigation and Dispute Resolution Concentration; Cleveland State Law Review, Articles Editor; Moot Court Team, Chair; Best Brief in Region, National Moot Court Competition (2012); Top Brief in Region, ABA Moot Court Competition (2012)
- Yale University (B.A., 2010)

State Admissions

- Ohio, 2013

Federal Admissions

- United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio
- United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio

Service Areas

- White Collar Criminal Defense & Corporate Investigations
- Business Litigation

Publications & Events

PUBLICATIONS

- “Using the Scientific Method in the Law: Examining State Interlocutory Appeals Procedures that Would Improve Uniformity, Efficiency, and Fairness in the Federal Appellate System,” 61 Clev. St. L. Rev. 259 (2013)

Honors

- Outstanding Contributions by an Emerging Leader, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor’s Office (2016)

In the Community

- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
 - » Bar Admissions Committee
- Women’s White Collar Defense Association
- Irish-American Law Society (2015-present)
 - » Secretary (2019-present)
 - » Executive Board Member (2017-present)
- Cleveland Council on World Affairs
 - » Young Professionals Advisory Committee
 - » Social Chair (2021-2023)
- Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Alumni Association Mentor Program
- The William K. Thomas American Inn of Court