



## Riley J. Shaw

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Riley Shaw provides responsive and client-focused representation to a diverse group of industries, with particular emphasis on mass tort and product liability.

Riley is part of a Tucker Ellis team that defends a Fortune 200 manufacturer in state and federal courts across the country to resolve its premises liability, personal injury, and product liability matters. He handles various aspects of pre-trial litigation, including drafting pleadings, conducting fact investigation and expert discovery, preparing dispositive and evidentiary motions, and negotiating favorable settlements.

During law school, Riley served as an extern with the U.S. Attorney's Office where he assisted in preparing a Fourth Amendment appellate brief that was submitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit. He also served as a legal writing tutor for first-year law students, where he honed his writing skills and gained valuable experience in helping others understand the complexities of legal writing.

As an undergraduate student, Riley won more than 100 matches for Cleveland State's wrestling team as a heavyweight and qualified for the NCAA tournament three times, winning the league title twice. During his second year of law school, he served as the graduate assistant coach for the team. Balancing that role with the demands of law school helped him fine-tune his time management and organizational skills, which are integral to his law practice today.

In his free time, Riley enjoys an occasional jog, working on home renovations with his wife Anna, and spending time with their sons Frazier and Franky and three dogs Vike, Magnus, and Mumford.

## Education

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- Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (J.D., summa cum laude, 2020); Cleveland State Law Review, Managing Editor; Legal Writing Tutor
- Cleveland State University (B.A. in Political Science, summa cum laude, 2016); John McLendon Award; Senior Mentor; Male Athlete of the Year (2015)

## State Admissions

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- Ohio, 2020
- New Jersey, 2021

## Federal Admissions

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

## Experience

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- Obtained summary judgment on a New Jersey personal injury case where the plaintiff relied solely on res ipsa loquitur; the motion successfully argued that the plaintiff could not prove the first prong (that the incident beget negligence) or third prong (that plaintiff was without fault) of res ipsa loquitur
- As a member of a team defending a Fortune 200 manufacturing client, obtained dismissal in a high-exposure product liability case involving allegations of malicious conduct and a demand for punitive damages

## Publications & Events

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- “Stubborn Facts Can Make Bad Pleadings,” *OACTA Quarterly Review* (Summer 2021)
- “11th Annual Update of Take-Home Asbestos Duty Decisions: 2020 Rulings Highlight Litigation Landscape,” Harris-Martin’s *COLUMNS-Asbestos* (May 2021)
- “10th Annual Update of Take-Home Asbestos Duty Decisions: 2019 Rulings Highlight Litigation Landscape,” HarrisMartin’s *COLUMNS-Asbestos* (March 2020)

## In the Community

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- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- College Now | Greater Cleveland, Mentor