



Business Litigation

Overview

The complexities of business today require the services of attorneys with the knowledge and experience to handle a myriad of business disputes. The Tucker Ellis Business Litigation Group, ranked in the top 25% of all law firms for commercial litigation (*BTI Litigation Outlook 2018*), provides a full range of legal services related to all aspects of disputes concerning business transactions and relationships. The scope of our services includes counseling clients and litigating contract disputes, employment matters, issues of fiduciary obligations, licensing, unfair business practices, antitrust, securities fraud, broker/dealer regulation, RICO, and other business torts. We also manage and coordinate complex multi-party and multi-litigation matters in both federal and state courts.

Our clients range from multinational corporations to family businesses, entrepreneurs, and sole proprietorships. Our objective in every matter is to learn the business practices and concerns of our clients and immediately develop a strategy that fits their objectives. Our goal is to resolve our clients' business problems in the most effective, timely, and efficient manner.

In some cases, resolution is the best strategy, and we work to accomplish that goal cost effectively, thereby avoiding the burden of litigation. In those cases that must be tried to a jury, court administrative body, or arbitration panel, our trial attorneys are prepared: we have substantial experience in virtually every business setting and have tried cases in federal and state forums from coast to coast—and we often work with our Appellate & Legal Issues Group to prosecute cases beyond the trial stage.

Our Business Litigation practice is ranked in Chambers USA in the category of Litigation: General Commercial (Ohio). One market source comments, "Tucker Ellis has a deep bench and great teamwork in all areas, but especially litigation," while a client praises our team's "excellent communication and practical advice."

Experience

- Defend manufacturers, suppliers and retailers in product liability and warranty lawsuits
- Prosecute and defend jury and bench trial matters involving breach of contract, trade secrets, employment issues, breach of non-competition agreements and unfair competition
- Defend private and public sector employers against discrimination claims based on age, race, sex, disability and national origin in federal and state courts, arbitrations, EEOC and the Ohio Civil Rights Commission
- Counsel private and public sector employers on compliance issues under the FLSA, FMLA, ADA, ADEA and all aspects of federal and state civil rights and discrimination laws

- Defend individual and class action antitrust claims for a variety of industries and markets
- Represent banking/financial/mortgage companies in individual and class action litigation involving lender liability, Truth in Lending Act claims, Electronic Funds Transfer, Fair Credit Reporting Acts and predatory lending claims
- Represent closely held corporations, and directors and officers in shareholder litigation
- Represent defendants in numerous securities actions brought individually and as class actions involving violations of various federal and state securities laws
- Arbitrate securities claims in proceedings before the FINRA
- Represent employers in numerous individual and class actions involving overtime compensation, race and sex discrimination
- Prosecute and defended claims arising in the construction context for owners, architects, engineers, suppliers, contractors, and subcontractors
- Represent companies in franchisor/ franchisee and dealer termination disputes
- Defend and prosecuted claims of accounting malpractice in state and federal courts and in administrative proceedings
- Serve as General Counsel for Boards of Directors of non-profit organizations and municipal utilities