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Of Counsel

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Michael's primary expertise is defending mass torts and individual cases involving pharmaceutical products, dietary supplements, consumer products, and medical devices. He defends large corporations in state and federal courts throughout the U.S. in high-profile product liability litigation. He has extensive experience guiding clients through all phases of complex, multidistrict litigation, and statewide coordinated actions. Michael also has wide-ranging general litigation experience, including representing plaintiffs in catastrophic truck and automobile accident cases, defending insurance companies in coverage and bad faith suits, and defending senior living facilities, nursing homes, and car rental companies in injury cases. Michael has been recognized among *The Best Lawyers in America*®, including the designation of 2016 "Lawyer of the Year" in Cincinnati for Product Liability Litigation and named to the Ohio Super Lawyers list.

Education

- University of Notre Dame (B.A., 1984)
- University of Cincinnati College of Law
- Loyola University Chicago School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1990)

Bar Admissions

- Illinois
- Ohio
- U.S. Supreme Court
- Kentucky
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

Practices & Industries

- Complex Business Litigation
- Product Liability
- Toxic Tort and Environmental Litigation
- Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Litigation
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Life Sciences
- Product Liability Litigation – Manufactured Products & Consumer Goods
- Life Sciences Industry

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Central District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas

Professional Affiliations

- Ohio State Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Cincinnati Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute

Awards & Honors

- Named to *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Product Liability Litigation – Defendants; Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants (2007-2026)
- Designated *Best Lawyers* Product Liability Litigation “Lawyer of the Year” in Cincinnati (2016)
- Named to the Ohio Super Lawyers list (2012-2022)
- Named a Cincy Leading Lawyer in Class Action/Product Liability in a survey of lawyers by Cincy Magazine (2011-2024)

Experience

- Has defended large corporations in high-profile product liability litigation in state and federal courts throughout the United States.
- Experience managing and litigating mass tort cases involving consumer products and medical devices.
- Litigates a variety of commercial and business disputes involving senior living facilities, nursing homes, car rental companies, partnerships, and contracts.
- Experience in the areas of insurance bad faith and coverage claims.

News & Media

August 21, 2025

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2026 List

August 15, 2024

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2025 List

August 17, 2023

Ulmer Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2024 Report

August 18, 2022

Ulmer Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2023 Report

January 4, 2022

Ohio Super Lawyers Recognizes Ulmer Attorneys in 2022 Lists