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About Joe

Joe D'Andrea uses his experience as a trial lawyer and business owner to represent clients in multistate employment matters and commercial disputes.

Joe represents employers in a full range of employment matters, including noncompete enforcement, trade secret protection and employment discrimination claims. He also defends clients in class action matters, including wage-and-hour and Fair Credit Reporting Act claims. In addition to his employment law experience, Joe also represents clients across the country in business disputes and consumer class actions.

As a former assistant attorney general, Joe is also experienced in handling the unique issues public officials and public employers face.

Joe was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2021-2025: Ones to Watch for Litigation – Labor and Employment, a list of the top up-and-coming lawyers. He is also listed in *Ohio Super Lawyers* 2020-2023 as a Rising Star.

Experience

- Successfully defending clients against trade secret and noncompete claims in a jury trial in Miami-Dade County, Florida.
- Defending public universities in multiple class action litigations brought by students.
- Conducting privileged and confidential investigations for both public and private sector clients on topics ranging from allegations of discrimination to potential criminal wrongdoing.
- Representing employers in negotiated resolutions of a Department of Labor investigation regarding Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) compliance.
- Successfully defending employers in Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and state human rights commission proceedings.
- Conducting internal investigations for Fortune 500 companies and state and federal government agencies.
- Regularly conducting harassment awareness trainings for entertainment and media clients.

Credentials

Education

- Capital University, J.D., *cum laude*, staff member, *Capital University Law Review*, 2013
- Ashland University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2009

Admissions

- Ohio, 2013

Courts

- U.S. Ct. of App., Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Ct. of App., Third Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. of Ohio
- U.S. Dist. Ct., S. Dist. of Ohio

Recognitions

- Recognized in *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America* 2021-2025 for Labor and Employment Law – Management and Litigation – Labor and Employment Law
- Recognized in *Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars* 2020-2023

Expertise

Services

- Public Policy
- Labor & Employment

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Provided testimony as a proponent for Ohio HB 352 in the Senate Judiciary Committee on December 9, 2020. The bill, which is now law, was an overhaul to Ohio's anti-discrimination statute.
- Interviewer and Co-author, "An Interview with the NLRB Chairman and General Counsel," *Labor and Employment News*, Spring 2017.
- Co-author, "No Dues for You: The Future of Public Sector Agency-Shop Provisions After Friedrichs," *Labor and Employment News*, Spring 2016.
- Author, "Not Lovin' It: The NLRB and McDonald's Battle Over the Joint-Employer Standard," *Labor and Employment News*, Vol. 23, 2015.

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