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About Scott

Scott Kane serves as the co-chair for the firm's Litigation Practice. He is a trusted counselor to business leaders, boards of directors, in-house counsel, public officials and other clients. A skilled lawyer with extensive experience handling complex disputes, the strategic and business goals of Scott's clients are always top of mind. Scott assists clients in developing strategies for avoiding or minimizing legal disputes whenever possible.

When disputes cannot be avoided, Scott employs a strategic approach to litigation to aggressively protect clients' interests but also to achieve cost-effective resolutions that serve the business objectives of his clients. When necessary, this includes defending those interests at trial.

Scott has been recognized for his litigation skills and client service by organizations like *The Best Lawyers in America* (for Bet-the-Company and Commercial Litigation), *Chambers USA*, *Ohio Super Lawyers* (including its Ohio Top 100 lawyers list) and other professional organizations. He has represented clients in courts and arbitration proceedings across the US in a variety of industries, including financial services, manufacturing, consumer products, technology, professional services, and design and construction. He also has significant experience representing both debtors and creditors in disputed matters in large Chapter 11 cases and other bankruptcy-related litigation.

In addition to his litigation practice, Scott leads our eDiscovery & Data Management team and taught electronic discovery law for many years as an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. Prior to law school, Scott served in the United States Army and he is a veteran with an overseas deployment.

Experience

- Representing a special litigation committee of the board of directors of a casino gaming company concerning its independent investigation of potential claims arising from a US\$8.9 billion leveraged buyout transaction.
- Successfully defending a financial institution against class action claims by removing the case under the provisions of the Class Action Fairness Act and then obtaining dismissal of all claims in federal court.

- Successfully defending a publicly traded client against putative class actions filed in federal courts around the country, including obtaining an order striking class action allegations at the pleading stage.
- Serving as lead trial counsel for a group of Chapter 11 debtors in a case involving more than US\$2 billion of claims including successfully defending the debtors' plan of reorganization against objections by state environmental agencies, the US and private creditors.
- Successfully representing a national banking association in complex litigation involving receivership and foreclosure on commercial real estate located throughout Ohio.
- Successfully resolving multimillion-dollar cost overrun claims against a team of design and engineering firms concerning the construction of a National Football League stadium.
- Advising the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Enron Corp. regarding nationwide discovery issues and coordination of multi-firm, multijurisdictional matters involving tens of millions of pages of discovery documents.
- Leading an internal investigation for the audit committee of a client regarding alleged wrongdoing by senior officers of a financial services company.
- Serving as outside general counsel to a development and asset management organization whose board consists of CEOs of large public and private companies and other community leaders.

Credentials

Education

- University of Cincinnati, J.D., Order of the Coif, student articles chair, *University of Cincinnati Law Review*, 1997
- Western Michigan University, B.S., *summa cum laude*, 1994

Admissions

- Ohio, 1997

Courts

- U.S. Ct. of App., Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Ct. of App., Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. of Illinois
- U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. of Ohio
- U.S. Dist. Ct., S. Dist. of Ohio
- U.S. Dist. Ct., S. Dist. of Indiana

Memberships & Affiliations

- Board member, Cincinnati Regional Business Committee
- Board member, Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio
- Past-president, Executive Committee member, Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky chapter of the Federal Bar Association
- Board member, Ohio Chamber of Commerce
- Board member, Southern Ohio District Export Council, US Department of Commerce

- Board member, University of Cincinnati College of Law Board of Visitors
- Former chair, Common Pleas Court Committee of the Cincinnati Bar Association
- Chairman, Cincinnati Volunteer Lawyers for the Poor
- Law & Leadership Institute (Cincinnati Advisory Board)
- Board member, Greater Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, Transportation & Infrastructure Committee

Recognitions

- Recognized in *Chambers USA* for Ohio: Litigation: General Commercial 2018-2025
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2012-2026 for Bet-The-Company Litigation and Commercial Litigation
- Recognized by Thomson Reuters as Stand-out Lawyer, 2023-2025
- Received University of Cincinnati 2023 College of Law Distinguished Alumni Award
- Selected as a 2020 Top Rated Litigator by *The American Lawyer*
- Received Martindale-Hubbell's AV Preeminent Rating in the Judicial Edition based on recommendations of the judiciary and bar
- Selected as an Ohio Super Lawyer by Thomson Reuters since 2011 (including its "Ohio Top 100" and "Cincinnati Top 50" lists)
- Recognized as a 2018 Acritas Star lawyer based on client assessments, including regarding "responsiveness" and "knowledge of our needs in business"
- Recognized as a *Benchmark Litigation* Star
- *Law Technology News*/2013 LegalTech (New York) – "Most Innovative Use of Technology by a Large Law Firm" (for Squire Patton Boggs' success in improving results and reducing client costs in large eDiscovery and document review projects)
- University of Cincinnati Law Review – 2013 Distinguished Service Award
- 2013 *Information Week 500* "Technology Innovator" (for Squire Patton Boggs Intelligent Discovery Process)

Expertise

Services

- Litigation

Industries

- Automotive & Transportation
- Sports & Entertainment

About our firm

One of the world's strongest integrated law firms, providing insight at the point where law, business and government meet. We deliver commercially focused business solutions by combining our legal, lobbying and political capabilities and invaluable connections on the ground to a diverse mix of clients, from long-established leading corporations to emerging businesses, startup visionaries and sovereign nations. More than 1,500 lawyers in over 40 offices across four continents provide unrivaled access to expertise.