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Paul J. Schumacher is a shareholder of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C. and the Managing Attorney of the Cleveland office. He concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial law and litigation, construction, labor/OSHA, personal injury litigation, product liability, and toxic tort.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Schumacher was Product Liability Practice Group Manager and a partner at a Cleveland-based litigation defense firm. While there, he represented public and private companies, insurance carriers, and individuals in cases involving industrial accidents, product claims, OSHA claims, intentional torts, and toxic exposure.

Practice Focus

- Commercial Law and Litigation
- Construction Law
- Product Liability
- Toxic Tort

Professional Accomplishments

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell® since 2009
- Litigation Counsel of America™, Trial Lawyer Honorary Society (Fellow)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2016: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants and Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel (FDCC) (Projects & Objectives Committee Vice Chair, Products Liability Section Member, and Toxic Tort & Environmental Law Section Member)
- *Ohio Super Lawyers*® 2004–2018
- Trial Attorneys of America since 2007
- Named as one of Leading Civil Litigation Lawyers for Northeast Ohio, *Inside Business*, every year since 2001

Representative Matters

Mr. Schumacher possesses over 35 years of courtroom experience as lead trial counsel in numerous state and federal cases successfully tried to jury verdict.

Speaking Engagements

- “Risk Management for Pregnant Workers” (Elective Course Instructor); American Industrial Hygiene Association Meeting; Montreal, Canada; 2013
- “There Goes the Neighborhood: When a Chemical or Industrial Explosion or Release Occurs — Before, During, and After” (Panelist); Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel (FDCC); Sun Valley, Idaho; 7/28/2007
- “OSHA: Employer’s Rights and Responsibilities”; Ohio Safety Congress and Expo; Cleveland, Ohio; 3/22/2007
- National Institute of Trial Advocacy (Instructor), 2005–2009

Publications

- “Preventing and Managing Chemical Catastrophes: A Practical Guide for In-House and Outside Counsel” (Co-Author), *FDCC Quarterly*, Vol. 58, No. 3, pp. 319–366, Spring 2008
- “Chemical Catastrophe: A Practical Guide to Prevention and Preparation,” *For the Defense*, July 2005
- “Defending Workplace Prenatal Injury Claims,” *Exploring Toxic Tort and Environmental Liability Claims*, The DRI Defense Library Series 2007, pp. 227–243; *For the Defense*, Nov. 2003

Admissions and Licenses

- Ohio Bar Admission
- Pennsylvania Bar Admission
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

Memberships

- Claims and Litigation Management (CLM) Alliance
- Cleveland Association of Civil Trial Attorneys
- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute (Product Liability, Toxic Torts, and Environmental Law Committees)
- IR Global since 2006 (International Commercial Law Member for Ohio and Pennsylvania)
- Ohio State Bar Association

Education and Specialized Training

- Cleveland State University College of Law, J.D. (1983), *cum laude*; *Cleveland State Law Review* (Editor 1982-1983)
- University of Dayton, B.A. (1980), Political Science

- OSHA General Industry Outreach Trainer, authorized to conduct 10- and 30-hour OSHA training
- OSHA Institute, 70 hours
- Represents employers nationwide before OSHA and the Department of Labor
- Court-Appointed Mediator and Arbitrator

