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BRIAN IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN AND OHIO STATE BAR ASSOCIATIONS.....

EXPERIENCE:

- *In re: Akron Thermal, Limited Partnership*, Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Proceeding, Case No. 07-51884. Counsel to municipal corporation/owner/lessor of regulated steam utility in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy filed by operator/lessee. Included highly contested lease assumption, plan confirmation, claims and related adversary proceedings opposing reorganization. Obtained full recovery of lease defaults and achieved post-reorganization termination of lease and recovery of property.
- *Quaker Square Properties, Ltd., et al. v. City of Akron*. Court of





Akron Thermal Limited Partnership



Quaker Square

- *Roberts, et al. v. Bridgestone Firestone, et al.*, Case No. 5:97-cv-03314-JG, U.S. District Court, N.D. Ohio, Eastern Division. Prosecuted civil claims on behalf of multiple age discrimination plaintiffs against multi-national defendant/employer before Ohio Civil Rights Commission, EEOC and U.S. District Court. Substantial settlement negotiated before trial.
- *Quaker Square Properties, Ltd., et al. v. City of Akron*, Court of Common Pleas, Summit County, Ohio, Case No. CV 2001-05-2522. counsel to municipal corporation in defense of claims brought by downtown real estate developer for breach of contract, promissory estoppel, inverse condemnation and 42 U.S.C. §1983 claims. Obtained dismissal of case.
- *Leemaster v. Herbert, et al.*, In the Court of Common Pleas, Summit County, Ohio, Case No. CV-2004-08-4839. Successful defense of real estate developer in civil mortgage fraud litigation. Case settled for nominal amount.
- Prosecuted multiple civil lawsuits on behalf of plaintiffs involving “freeze-out” of minority shareholder from participation in closely held corporations. Obtained settlements substantially in excess of initial offer in each case.
- Representation of real estate agents, brokers, buyers, sellers and insurance carriers in disputes concerning non-disclosure, concealment, fraud, breach of contract issues relative to residential and commercial transactions.
- Prosecuted multiple civil lawsuits on behalf of plaintiffs involving “freeze-out” of minority shareholder from participation in closely held corporations. Obtained settlements substantially in excess of initial offer in each case.
- Assisted owner of auto repair and service centers to reduce costs and increase efficiency by development and implementation of flat-rate pay program for technicians in compliance with Section 7(i) of the FLSA in light of *Wilks v. Pep Boys* 278 Fed.Appx. 488, 2008 WL 2080551 (6th Cir. 2008 (Tenn.)).

COURT ADMISSIONS

Ohio
U.S. District Court
U.S. Court of Appeals-
Sixth Circuit
U.S. Supreme Court

EDUCATION

B.A. Mount Union College (1979)
M.Acc. University of Tennessee (1981)
J.D. Wake Forest University (1984)

HONORS & AWARDS

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association
Ohio Bar Association
Akron & Medina Bar Assocs.

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