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PRIMARY PRACTICES

Complex Commercial Litigation

Litigation

Construction

Matthew Wagner is an associate in Hahn Loeser's Litigation Practice Area and focuses on complex commercial litigation. Matthew's experience includes a wide variety of civil litigation, government investigations and white-collar criminal law. His investigation issues have included healthcare fraud, banking regulations, and miscellaneous violations of company policies.

Throughout Matthew's practice, he has worked on complex discovery, theft of trade secrets, cybersecurity, Title VII, breach of contract, and various labor and employment matters. Matthew believes that the most cost-effective litigation strategy is to avoid lawsuits wherever possible which is why he emphasizes the importances of risk management as a way to mitigate the likelihood of such events from occurring. In the event that litigation cannot be avoided, Matthew is a zealous advocate who works tirelessly to identify the best possible solution and outcome for his clients.

Matthew earned his J.D. from the Cleveland State University College of Law, where he graduated with honors in 2020, and joined Hahn Loeser in 2024. Matthew received an undergraduate degree in Political Science from the Catholic University of America in Washington D.C

BAR ADMISSIONS

- State of Ohio, 2020
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 2021
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2022

EDUCATION

- Cleveland State University College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2020
- Moot Court Team, Vice Chair; Global Business Law Review, Business and Development Editor; Student Bar Association, President; Research Assistant to Dean Lee Fisher
- The Catholic University of America, B.A., Politics, 2016
- Student Association General Assembly; Varsity Swimming, Co-Captain

AWARDS & HONORS

- Ones to Watch, Best Lawyers®, Commercial Litigation, 2026

PUBLICATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Executive Order 14173: What it Means for Federal Contractors and Subcontractors, February 10, 2025.
- Executive Order 14173 Injunction and Updates, March 10, 2025.
- Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals Allows for Enforcement of DEI-Related Executive Orders Pending Appeal, March 18, 2025.
- U.S. District Court Judge Temporarily Blocks Department of Labor from Enforcing Certain Provisions of DEI-Related Executive Orders, April 2, 2025.
- U.S. District Court Judge Grants Preliminary Injunction Blocking Department of Labor from Enforcing Certain Provisions of DEI-



- Related Executive Orders, April 18, 2025.
- Department of Justice Rescinds Prior Report About Race and Sex in Federal Contracting, April 23, 2025.
- Update: Making Sense of the Evolving DEI Landscape and its Effects on Federal Contractors and Grantees, April 30, 2025.
- DOJ Civil Rights Fraud Initiative Set to Investigate Federal Government Contractors and Grantees, May 23, 2025.
- Update on Executive Orders Impacting DEI (Illinois Local Government Lawyers Association), June 13, 2025.
- U.S. Northern District of California Grants Limited Preliminary Injunction of DEI-Related Executive Orders, June 27, 2025.
- Department of Justice Issues Guidance on Unlawful Conduct in Executive Order 14173, September 2, 2025.
- Department of Transportation Issues New Rule Ushering in Major Changes for DBE Certification, October 24, 2025.
- Executive Order 14398 Further Expands DEI-Related Compliance Obligations for Federal Contractors, April 28, 2026.
- IBM Agrees to First Settlement of False Claims Act Allegations under DOJ Civil Rights Fraud Initiative, May 11, 2026.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Moot Court Team Coach, Cleveland State University College of Law, 2022-present
- Cleveland State University College of Law Alumni Association, Lifetime Member

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- Associate, Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP, 2024 – present
- Associate, Dworken & Bernstein, 2023-2024
- Staff Attorney, Squire Patton Boggs, 2021-2022
- Law Clerk, United State Attorney's Office, Northern District of Ohio, 2019
- Law Clerk, Meyers, Roman, Friedberg & Lewis, 2019
- Law Clerk, Geauga County Prosecutor's Office, 2018
- Intern, United States Congress, 2013-2015