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Practice Areas

Litigation

Bankruptcy and Collections

Oil & Gas Law

Will and Trust Litigation

As the practice leader of Houston Harbaugh's Litigation Group, Sam is well versed in all areas of civil law with a particular focus on commercial/business litigation. Sam regularly represents clients in the construction, manufacturing, oil and gas, and wholesale/retail/ distribution industries, as well as individuals in matters such as:

- Construction litigation
- Environmental litigation
- Breach of contract disputes
- Oil and gas litigation
- Negligence
- Restrictive covenants
- Civil rights
- Collections/creditors' rights
- Lease disputes

Sam also represents architects and engineers in such matters as faulty design specifications and design negligence.

Prior to joining Houston Harbaugh, Sam practiced law in the state of Ohio for eight years where he handled business disputes as well as defense of civil rights for government employees. Sam also served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Ohio and represented a number of governmental agencies, including the Ohio Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors, the Ohio Division of Securities, and the Ohio Division of Real Estate. While an Assistant Attorney General, Sam was awarded the Jeffrey Goldsmith Outstanding Attorney Award by the Business and Government Regulations Section of the Ohio Attorney General's Office.

Sam regularly presents on litigation and business-related topics to professional organizations and corporations. Currently, Sam teaches Federal Civil Rights Litigation at the Duquesne University School of Law where he guides students through the civil rights process of an actual federally-appointed case.

Bar Admissions

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- State of West Virginia
- State of Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third and Sixth Circuits
- U.S. District Court for the Western, Middle and Eastern Districts of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of West Virginia
- U.S. District Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado



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Education

- University of Akron, J.D.
Law Review
- University of Pittsburgh, B.S.

Professional Affiliations

- Member, Allegheny County Bar Association
- Member, Defense Research Institute (DRI)
- Adjunct Professor, Duquesne University School of Law

Community Involvement

- Volunteer, Fox Chapel Youth Sports

Representative Engagements

- Represented a Western Pennsylvania-based mineral resources producer in matters regarding pollution claims.
- Represented an architectural firm in a claim regarding alleged faulty design specifications.
- Represented a nationwide retailer in multiple breach of contract disputes, secured claims and bankruptcy preference actions throughout the country.
- Represented an engineering firm in a claim of design negligence regarding a safety valve on a natural gas expansion tank.
- Represented physicians, sales personnel, and information technology specialists in the prosecution and defense of restrictive covenants.