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PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation
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EDUCATION

- Cleveland State University
College of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2023)
 - Cleveland State University (B.A.
History, B.A. Political Science,
2018)
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ADMISSIONS

- Ohio (2023)

OVERVIEW

As an associate litigation attorney, I work closely with Buckingham partners to support a wide client base, including, individuals and businesses, throughout Northeast Ohio.

I have a special appreciation for Northeast Ohio and the values that this region espouses. I grew up with two parents who modeled what it means to be hardworking, dedicated and passionate. I bring that same attitude to all aspects of my life, but it is especially evident in my work and through my dutiful representation of clients.

I was always fascinated about the complex way in which the law interacts with our lives. My experiences, including externing for a Federal Judge, allowed me to become familiar with a wide range of issues and develop skills to effectively support my clients. These experiences also honed my fascination with the law into a passion for solving the complex puzzles legal problems present in ways that best advocate for my clients.

AWARDS & HONORS

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* (2026-2027)
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award® in Civil Litigation Clinic and Advanced Brief Writing

PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, Volunteer (2022 – Present)
- Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration (2021 – Present)

Past Affiliations

- 3R's Program (2021 – 2023)

MEDIA

- "[Avoidance Claims Buyers, Beware: The Limits on Where and for Whose Benefit Avoidance Claims Purchased from a Bankruptcy Estate May Be Pursued](#)", *American Bankruptcy Institute Journal* (September 2025)