# STITES & HARBISON PLLC



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Robin Miller is a member of the Business Litigation Service Group where she focuses on efficiently representing clients in high-stakes, complex commercial disputes. Clients appreciate Robin's ability to simplify complex situations and craft her approach to each client's specific and unique needs in a wide-range of areas including contract disputes and related business torts, non-compete agreements, trade secret misappropriation, construction disputes, energy and environmental matters, employment practices liability, product liability and professional liability. Robin's agility and quick wit have proven to be effective and have won over clients, juries, and state and federal judges at the trial and appellate levels. Robin particularly revels in representing companies in the fast-paced world of temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction hearings.

# CAPABILITIES

#### **Practice Areas**

- Business Litigation
- Class Action, Mass Action & Multi-District Litigation
- Construction
- Employment Law
- Employment Litigation
- Fiduciary Duty, Trade Secret & Unfair Competition Litigation
- Financial Services Litigation
- Litigation & Appeals
- Product Liability Litigation
- Professional Liability Litigation

### **RECENT ASSIGNMENTS**

- Defended corporate client in a high-stakes jury trial against claims by plaintiffs seeking in excess of \$25 Million resulting from alleged chemical exposure.
- Successfully represented an SAP implementation provider in federal litigation against allegations of breach of contract, fraud, unjust enrichment where the alleged damages were in the tens of millions of dollars.
- Obtained dismissal of federal litigation brought by a former bank employee who claimed that the bank violated the Bank Secrecy Act and the Dodd-Frank Act in connection with concerns she reported to the bank and then wrongfully terminated her for engaging in a protected activity.
- obtained summary judgment, which was affirmed by the Sixth Circuit, on behalf of an employer in connection with claims of alleged age discrimination by a former employee.

- Obtained a complete defense jury verdict for a corporate client alleged to have engaged in fraud and defamation and recovered on the client's counterclaim for frivolous conduct, including a finding by the jury that the client was entitled to reimbursement of attorneys' fees.
- Obtained verdict against real estate investor for fraud and breach of contract in temporary restraining order and permanent injunction setting.
- Obtained jury verdict for fraud and related commercial claims against company and former CEO on behalf of corporate client.
- Obtained summary judgment for multiple clients in commercial matters, including disputes relating to real estate and construction, tortious interference, unfair competition, theft of trade secrets and breach of fiduciary duties.
- Obtained reversal of a jury verdict on the weight of the evidence for a non-profit corporation in the Second District Court of Appeals and successfully argued for affirmation of that decision in the Supreme Court of Ohio, including preparation of briefs and presentation of oral argument.
- Successfully represented a university in a suit brought by a former law student, including successful defense at TRO and preliminary injunction hearings, for alleged breach of contract and related claims.
- Obtained substantial jury verdict for beer distributor on breach of contract and statutory wrongful termination claims.
- Succeeded in obtaining favorable judgment for paint manufacturer at trial with regard to product liability claims.
- Successfully represented numerous publicly traded companies in various Ohio Courts of Appeals.
- Succeeded in obtaining summary judgment for local cable company with regard to allegations of age discrimination and wrongful termination, including briefing and argument in the Second District Court of Appeals.
- Obtained temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction and permanent injunction for a petroleum company in a matter adverse to a vexatious litigator.
- Obtained a complete defense verdict, as second chair, for national retailer after six-week jury trial of complex commercial matters, which included theft of trade secrets, breach of contract and tortious interference with business relationships.

- Succeeded in obtaining summary judgment in multiple employment matters, including actions involving age discrimination, sexual harassment, disability discrimination, wrongful termination and FMLA violations.
- Represented and advised private university on various matters, including product and premises liability issues and contract disputes.
- Negotiated favorable settlement at various states of litigation on numerous commercial, employment and intellectual property matters.

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

- Ohio
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

### **RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- 6th Circ. Says Worker's OT Defense Doesn't Invoke Arbitration By Irene Spezzamonte, *Law360*, February 7, 2023
- Supreme Court Rejects OSHA Vaccine Mandate on Private Employers Allows CMS Healthcare Mandate for Facilities Receiving Medicare/Medicaid Funds with Shannon Antle Hamilton, Demetrius O. Holloway, Ashley Owens Hopkins, and Robin E. McGuffin Stites & Harbison Client Alert, January 14, 2022
- Stites & Harbison Opens First Ohio Office In Cincinnati Area Law360, April 23, 2021
- Stites & Harbison welcomes litigator Robin Miller *The Lane Report*, February 9, 2021
- Trial Tactics
  National Business Institute, Cincinnati, November 2015

- Perpetual Motion: How the Supreme Court and Technology Have Changed Class Actions and Privacy Law
  - A Closer Look: The Intersection of Privacy & Technology Client CLE Seminar, October 2016
- A New Day for Overtime and Social Media: Policies and Best Practices for New Overtime Rules and Social Networks at Work Association of Corporate Counsel, Northeast Ohio Chapter, September 2016
- Prevailing Wage
  Allied Construction Industries of Cincinnati, April 2016
- Amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure: What You Need to Know Association of Corporate Counsel, Central Ohio Chapter, March 2016
- Using Criminal Records: What Every Employer Needs to Know ABC Legal & HR Day, March 2016
- Legal Architecture: The Blueprint to Minimizing Litigation Exposure Association of Corporate Counsel, Southwest Ohio Chapter, November 2015
- The Pitfalls of Prevailing Wage
  Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., ABC Legal Day, June 2015
- How to Avoid the Traps and Hazards Associated with Trade Secrets, Non-Competes, and Patent Litigation Association of Corporate Counsel, May 2014
- The Criminalization of Trade Secret Theft Under the Economic Espionage Act of 1996: An Evaluation of United States v. Hsu
  25 U Dayton L. Rev. 243 (2000)

### FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Office Executive Member, Cincinnati, OH Office
- Cincinnati Office Business Litigation Service Group, Leader
- Lateral Recruiting Committee, Member

#### MEMBERSHIPS

- Ohio State Bar Association
- Cincinnati Bar Association
- American Bar Association

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

• Community First Solutions, Board Member

#### EDUCATION

University of Dayton School of Law J.D. 2001

- Law Review, Executive Editor

Ohio University B.A. summa cum laude 1995

#### MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Robin was formerly a Member with Ulmer & Berne in Cincinnati prior to joining our Covington, Ky., office.

# ACCOLADES

- Best Lawyers in America®, Litigation Construction Law; Commercial Litigation (2018-25)
- BTI Client Service All-Star (2017)
- Ohio Super Lawyers® (2023)
- Ohio Super Lawyers®, Rising Star (2006, 2007)
- Named a "Woman Worth Watching" by Profiles in Diversity Journal (2017)
- 40 Under 40, Dayton Business Journal (2008)