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Partner

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Josh represents clients of all sizes in middle and small market transactions. Many of these clients have few or no in-house attorneys, and Josh knows the best way to serve as their general counsel is by addressing their legal issues, identifying and achieving objectives and providing responsive advice so they can focus on their growth and profitability.

He focuses his practice on general corporate and partnership law, including limited liability companies and non-profit organizations, commercial transactions, shareholder agreements, operating agreements, mergers and acquisitions. His clients include a defense consulting firm, a manufacturer of home maintenance products, a clean energy company, a specialty chemical manufacturer, an international food production company, a specialty parts manufacturer and a restaurant franchise owner.

Josh's experience also includes working with non-profit companies, helping them plan their formation, obtain tax-exempt status and consider their commercial interactions. He counsels for-profit and non-profit clients on compliance with campaign finance and election laws, including campaign speech and formation of PACs, Super PACS, issue advocacy organizations and other entities.

### Services

- Corporate & Transactional
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Corporate Taxation

### Education

- University of Chicago Law School (J.D., 2001)
- Wheaton College (B.A., 1998)
  - Psychology

## **Bar Admissions**

- Ohio

## **Affiliations/Memberships**

- Ohio State Bar Association
- Dayton Bar Association
- The Christian Legal Society

## **Experience**

### **Advised our Client Regarding Possible ITAR Violation**

We identified a potential ITAR violation for a small specialty chemical company based on failure to register as an ITAR manufacturer. We advised our client regarding ITAR registration and voluntary self-disclosure.

### **Conducted Conservation Easement Law Research**

We were involved significantly in conservation easement law research, analysis and summation, specifically regarding the highly debated area of amendments to conservation easements. We were also involved in the petition and negotiation for amendments to an existing conservation easement encompassing 1000+ acres of land in Montana and in the process of the creation of two new conservation easements comprised of more than 630 acres of land.

### **Represented the Owner of a Chemical Manufacturer During the Company's Sale**

We assisted the sole owner of a company that manufactured specialty chemical dyes in selling most of the assets of the company to a large conglomerate that had been a former customer. Our team handled negotiations with the buyer from the beginning to the end, and both sides closed the transition content they had received adequate value in the transaction.