



# MARIBETH MELUCH

Maribeth Meluch is an experienced business law attorney with a unique and diverse skillset. She is experienced in intellectual property and employment law and provides guidance and representation to businesses on a wide range of legal issues, including IP, employment, litigation, wage and hour, OSHA and other regulatory matters.

Additionally, Maribeth is knowledgeable when it comes to enforcing intellectual property rights through filings on copyrights, trademark and patents, intellectual property litigation, negotiating of licensing agreements and drafting contracts to protect confidentiality of sensitive information and restrict competition by employees and contractors.

Maribeth has also created a niche practice in equine law after adopting two retired Thoroughbred racehorses, one of which is the great grandson of Affirmed. She assists equine businesses with issues unique to horses and the horse industry from customized contracts to application of federal and state regulations to representing plaintiffs and defendants in lawsuits involving horse related and business issues.

Prior to going into law, Maribeth owned a small retail business and conducted classified research in molecular biology for the renowned Battelle Memorial Institute. As a former microbiologist, Maribeth has unique knowledge when it comes to cases involving mold in construction or residential buildings, food toxicity cases, COVID and more.

An avid traveler, Maribeth has been to more than 30 countries and 40 states, including Kenya, where she took a safari on horseback. Additionally, Maribeth is a gentleman farmer with 18 acres and, in addition to her horses, cattle, chickens, ducks, bees and dogs.

## AWARDS

- Selected to Ohio Super Lawyers®, 2012-2013, 2015-2021
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Litigation – Intellectual Property, 2015-2021; Commercial Litigation 2020-2021
- The Best Lawyers in America® “Lawyer of the Year” Litigation – Intellectual Property, 2019
- AV – Preeminent Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell
- OSBA Community Service Award for Lawyers under 40 for the Fifth District, 1996

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## PRACTICE AREAS

- Corporate & Securities
- Estate, Wealth & Succession Planning
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Labor & Employment
- Litigation & Arbitration
- Real Estate & Environmental

## BAR/COURT ADMISSIONS

- Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals
- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

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## EDUCATION

- Capital University Law School, J.D., cum laude, 1991
- Miami University, B.A., Microbiology and Zoology, 1982

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Ohio State Bar Association
- Delaware Bar Association

## CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Sunbury Big Walnut Chamber of Commerce, 2018-present
- President of the Board, 2021-present
- Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce, 1996-present
- Board of Directors, 1996-2002, 2014-2020, 2022-2028, 2022-present
- Past President of the Board, 2001
- Big Walnut Galena Rotary Club Commerce
- President of the Board, 1996-present
- Ohio State Bar Association, Board of Directors, 1998-2001

## PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

### Publications

- Ohio Civil Service Law, 1992

### Presentations

- HR Six Pack, Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce
- Patent Licensing Agreements, The Inventors Network, January 10, 2016
- B.E.D. and Breakfast Series Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce
- First Fridays Seminar Series Sunbury Area Chamber
- National Business Institute

## MEDIA MENTIONS

- "What are your rights when it comes to religious, medical vaccine exemptions?" 10TV, Sept. 3, 2021
- "When Employees Refuse to Return to Work Due to COVID-19," QSR Magazine, June 2020
- "Guardant Health CEO Deleted Email Evidence After Lawsuit Deposition," GenomeWeb, Jan. 6, 2020
- "Former Delaware County deputy loses wrongful termination lawsuit," Columbus Dispatch, Sept. 27, 2017
- "Condensed Handbooks, Videos Can Help Train Seasonal Employees, Their Managers," Society for Human Resources Management, Nov. 10, 2016
- "Company Must Pay \$3M for Deleting E-Mails," Society for Human Resources Management, Oct. 18, 2016
- "People to Know: Maribeth Meluch," Columbus Business First, Nov. 21, 2014

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