



## Melvin F. O'Brien

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Melvin F. O'Brien is a shareholder of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C. and the Managing Attorney of the Wheeling office. He concentrates his practice in the areas of civil litigation, health care law, product liability law, insurance coverage litigation, food and beverage industry, professional liability, and transportation law, with a particular emphasis in personal injury litigation.

## Practice Focus

- Food and Beverage Industry
- Insurance Law and Litigation
- Medical Malpractice Defense
- Professional Liability Defense
- Transportation Law

## Professional Accomplishments

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell® since 2013
- Litigation Counsel of America™, Trial Lawyer Honorary Society (Senior Fellow)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: 2022 "Lawyer of the Year" in Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants for Morgantown
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2012: Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants

## Representative Matters

Mr. O'Brien handles professional liability matters for lawyers, accountants, brokers, engineers, and insurance agents and advises them on best practices to use in order to avoid litigation. The types of cases he handles on a regular basis involve:

- construction site injuries including both minor and catastrophic
- litigation of numerous catastrophic losses involving commercial vehicles in federal and state courts both locally and nationally
- matters involving occupational injuries in all industries for companies from big to small with a focus on deliberate intent actions in West Virginia

- medical negligence matters for physicians and hospitals
- premises liability matters for national companies
- representation of volunteer fire departments across the state of West Virginia on injuries, accidents, and catastrophic loss

## Speaking Engagements

- “Product Law: What You Need to Know When a Claim is Filed Against Your Product” (Co-Presenter), Pennsylvania and West Virginia CLE, 11/13/2008
- “West Virginia: America’s Newest Marketplace for Workers’ Compensation” (Co-Presenter), 4/1/2008 webinar

## Admissions and Licenses

- Ohio Bar Admission
- West Virginia Bar Admission
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia
- United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia

## Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Claims and Litigation Management (CLM) Alliance
- Defense Research Institute
- Defense Trial Counsel of West Virginia
- Independent Insurance Agents of Ohio, Inc.
- Independent Insurance Agents of West Virginia, Inc.
- International Association of Defense Counsel
- Jefferson County Bar Association
- Ohio and West Virginia Trucking Associations
- Ohio Association of Civil Trial Attorneys
- Ohio State Bar Association
- Trucking Industry Defense Association
- West Virginia Chamber of Commerce
- Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce in West Virginia

## Education

- Cleveland State University College of Law, J.D. (1994), *cum laude*; *Journal of Law and Health* (Executive Editor 1993–1994)
- Bowling Green State University, B.S.B.A. (1988), Business Administration

