



Martijn Steger

Chief Innovation Officer + Leader, Global Business Practice

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Martijn leads our firm's Global Business practice and serves as our Chief Innovation Officer. He joined our firm in 1985 after serving as a Judicial Clerk in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Global Business

Martijn offers the firm's clients strategic advice to assist them in developing global markets. He counsels organizations of all sizes regarding international mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, strategic alliances, global logistics, licensing and intellectual property issues. Blending his global business practice with his role as the firm's Chief Innovation Officer, Martijn focuses particularly on transformative technologies, including those underlying autonomous vehicle developments.

U.S. Business/Mergers + Acquisitions

Martijn advises buyers and sellers in mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and strategic alliances. He also counsels new and existing organizations in business formation and structuring, as well as contract drafting and negotiation.

Intellectual Property

Part of Martijn's practice is in the firm's Intellectual Property area, in which he develops strategic IP advice and solutions for our clients. His experience includes license drafting and negotiation, confidentiality and non-disclosure agreements and services agreements, such as contracts for research and development, technology development, and marketing.

Mediation Services

Martijn has a particular emphasis in the resolution of international business disputes and disputes arising in the field of logistics, which includes the warehousing, supply and transport of goods.

Professional Affiliations

- + International, American, Ohio State and Columbus Bar Associations
- + British-American Chamber of Commerce – Ohio, board member
- + Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), The Ohio State University Fisher College of Business, advisory council, member
- + Columbus Council on World Affairs (CCWA), chairman emeritus of the board (2001-2003)
- + German-American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest, member
- + Greater Columbus Advanced Logistics Council, executive committee, past member (1992-2008)
- + U.S. Global Leadership Coalition, Ohio Advisory Committee, member

Special Honors

- + Honored by *Chambers USA* for expertise in Corporate/M+A
- + Martindale-Hubbell Rating of AV
- + Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® since 2008
- + Selected to the Ohio Super Lawyers list since 2004

Bar Admissions

- + Ohio
- + U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- + U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- + U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- + U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

Education

- + The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., 1983)
- + Miami University (B.A., 1978)