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Derek Hartman has over five years' experience representing the interests of individuals, small businesses, and Fortune 500 companies both in and out of the courtroom. Prior to joining Sutter O'Connell, Derek owned and operated the law firm of Hartman & James LLP where he was personally responsible for managing the firms' day-to-day operations. While at Hartman & James LLP, Derek focused his areas of practice on residential and commercial real estate, business formation and governance, and civil litigation. Prior to forming Hartman & James LLP, Derek served as local corporate counsel to one of the largest midstream companies in North America where he was responsible for assessing risk, conducting due diligence, and managing outside counsel throughout litigation.

Derek is actively involved with the Akron Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. In July 2016, Derek was appointed to the Ohio State Bar Association's Futures Commission where he has been tasked with discussing, drafting, and proposing changes to the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct, which are the ethical rules which govern attorney conduct. He also serves as co-communication director for the Real Property Section of the Akron Bar Association.

In August 2016, Derek was admitted as a Barrister in the Scanlon-Bell American Inn of Courts for a two-year term. In his free time, Derek enjoys golfing and watching any Cleveland sports team.

Education

Kent State University, B.A. (Psychology), summa cum laude 2008
 Kent State University, B.A. (Paralegal Studies), summa cum laude 2008
 The University of Akron School of Law, J.D., 2011

Admissions

Ohio

United States District Courts

Northern District of Ohio

Practice Areas

Products Liability
 Premise Liability
 Construction Law

Associations

Ohio State Bar Association
 Akron Bar Association
 Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association

Involvement

Scanlon-Bell American Inn of Courts