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[Giuseppe Pappalardo defends clients nationwide in medical and pharmaceutical liability matters.](#)

Giuseppe represents pharmaceutical manufacturers and large hospitals in individual cases, multidistrict litigation, and class actions. His experience highlights include serving as second chair in a wrongful death trial that resulted in a full defense verdict and on a trial team in a failure-to-warn case involving a medical device, which also resulted in a full defense verdict.

Giuseppe defends clients in numerous medical malpractice, medical device, and pharmaceutical cases across the country. He also assists in leading an e-discovery team for a large pharmaceutical contract manufacturer that is facing lawsuits in both state and federal court.

Previously, Giuseppe was a member of the Tucker Ellis team that defended a Fortune 200 pharmaceutical company nationwide in thousands of cases brought by local municipalities, counties, and states. In this role, Giuseppe co-led a team seeking third-party discovery from the Ohio Department of Health in relation to a product liability lawsuit brought by the Ohio Attorney General.

In addition to his medical and pharmaceutical liability practice, Giuseppe is part of a Tucker Ellis team that serves as national counsel in motor vehicle accident litigation for two Fortune 300 companies.

Before entering law school, Giuseppe served with AmeriCorps, where he helped counsel high-growth start-up companies during the early stages of those companies' development. He also worked in sales before beginning his legal career, which helped to form his strong and goal-oriented work ethic.

Giuseppe lives in Fairview Park, Ohio, with his fiancé Erica and their cat Bennie, who is named after Giuseppe's high school mascot (Benedictine Bengals). When he is not working, you can find Giuseppe on a hiking trail with Erica or loyally watching Cleveland sports teams.

Education

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., magna cum laude, 2017); Order of the Coif; Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law, Executive Board
- Marquette University (B.A. in Political Science and Philosophy, 2010); Student Senator; Student Government Leadership Award; Marquette University Club Football Captain

State Admissions

- Ohio, 2017

Service Areas

- Health & Life Sciences
- Life Sciences Litigation
- Mass Tort & Product Liability
- Medical Malpractice Litigation

Experience

- Served as second chair in a wrongful death trial that resulted in a full defense verdict
- Served on a trial team in a failure-to-warn case involving a medical device that resulted in a full defense verdict
- Assists in leading an e-discovery team for a large pharmaceutical contract manufacturer that is facing lawsuits in both state and federal court
- Co-led a team seeking third-party discovery from the Ohio Department of Health in relation to a product liability lawsuit brought by the Ohio Attorney General against a Fortune 200 pharmaceutical company

Publications & Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “In-House Counsel Roundtable,” materials co-authored for DRI 2021 Drug and Medical Device Virtual Seminar (April 2021)
- “Corporate Representative Depositions and Proportionality – Avoiding Traps for the Unwary,” Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, Cleveland, Ohio (December 2017)

PUBLICATIONS

- “9th Annual Update of Take-Home Asbestos Duty Decisions: 2018 Rulings Highlight Litigation Landscape,” HarrisMartin’s *COLUMNS-Asbestos* (March 2019), OACTA’s *The Update* (Summer 2019)
- “8th Annual Update of Take-Home Asbestos Duty Decisions: 2017 Rulings Highlight Litigation Landscape,” HarrisMartin’s *COLUMNS-Asbestos* (March 2018), OACTA’s *The Update* (Spring 2018)
- “Corporate Representative Deposition Update – Traps Remain for the Unwary,” OACTA’s *The Update* (Spring 2017)
- “Corporate Representative Depositions and Proportionality,” DRI’s *In-House Defense Quarterly* (Winter 2017)

Honors

- The Best Lawyers in America® (2025)
- Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Stars® (2025)

In the Community

- Open Doors Academy, Board of Directors
- Legal Aid 2021–2022 Partner in Justice
- Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Judge John M. Manos Inn of Court