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Overview

About John

John Thuermer is an associate in Fish & Richardson's Washington, D.C., office.* John focuses his practice on intellectual property litigation, including Section 337 investigations at the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC).

Before joining Fish, John worked at the ITC for five years—three as an attorney advisor to Commissioner Rhonda K. Schmidlein and two as an attorney advisor to Administrative Law Judge David P. Shaw. While at the ITC, John assisted on over 50 Section 337 investigations spanning a wide variety of technologies and allegations, including patent and trademark infringement, trade secret misappropriation, and other theories of unfair competition. He also assisted on advisory opinion, enforcement, and modification proceedings. John's experience at the ITC encompassed investigations that presented ITC-specific issues, such as the domestic industry requirement, redesigns and the scope of exclusion orders, and the effect of the Commission's orders on the public interest.

In private practice, John has handled many facets of Section 337 investigations and district court litigation. John's experience includes crafting technical and domestic industry arguments; drafting pre-hearing briefs, post-hearing briefs, and petitions for review; assisting witnesses in preparing testimonial witnesses statements; taking and defending depositions; working with technical experts; and preparing written discovery requests and responses. He has also assisted clients with patent prosecution, *inter partes* review proceedings, and trademark and trade secret matters.

During law school, John was a judicial extern to the Honorable Christopher A. Boyko of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

*Admitted only in Ohio. Not admitted to practice in D.C. Work conducted in D.C. is directly supervised

by a member of the D.C. bar or is limited to U.S. federal courts or agencies listed below or otherwise authorized by law.

Focus Areas

Services

- Litigation
- ITC Litigation
- Patent Litigation

Industries

- Chemicals
- Electrical and Computer Technology
- Manufacturing
- Medical Devices

Education

J.D., University of Akron School of Law (2011) *University of Akron Law Review*, Symposium Editor and Assistant Editor

B.S., Chemistry, Case Western Reserve University (2007)

B.A. *with department honors*, Political Science, Case Western Reserve University (2007)

Insights

Publications

- “ITC Monthly Wrap-Up: January 2022,” *Fish Blog* (February 8, 2022)

Memberships & Affiliations

International Trade Commission Trial Lawyers Association, 2017–Present

The Giles S. Rich American Inn of Court, 2018–Present