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Practice Areas

Business Litigation

Intellectual Property

Cybersecurity and Data
Breach

Employment and Trade
Secret Law

UAS/UAV (Drone) Litigation
and Investigations

Federal Criminal Defense

Corey Bauer practices in the firm's litigation practice group in the substantive areas of Business Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation, Cybersecurity and Data Breach Response and Litigation, Trade Secret and Employee Defection (DTSALaw®), and UAS/Drone Litigation and Investigations.

He manages litigation teams handling complex disputes for the firm's clients in state and federal courts. He has first and second-chair trial experience, first-chair arbitration experience, has presented numerous oral arguments before trial and appellate courts, and has taken and defended close to 100 depositions.

Corey also has unique experience handling sophisticated matters involving UAS/UAV (drone) technology. He has represented individuals and corporations in regulatory compliance matters, FAA investigations, and criminal actions. He successfully defended an individual in a UAS-related, felony ecoterrorism jury trial in Pennsylvania as solo trial counsel. He has spoken and published articles on the subject of UAS technology in the judicial system on both a state and national level.

In addition to the above, he has amassed a large amount of experience in assisting companies and municipalities in cybersecurity and data privacy response and litigation. He has handled breach responses, social engineering fraud litigation and investigations, and regulatory/statutory compliance matters. He has been published on the topic of cybersecurity threats to IP rights in national publications and periodicals.

In his personal time, Corey is an avid outdoorsman. He is a member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation which aims to enhance conservation efforts across the nation through the reinstatement of wild elk habitat. You can often find him fly fishing, hiking, or skiing in his spare time.

Bar Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Western Districts of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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Education

- University of Pittsburgh, J.D.
- Kent State University, B.A.

Awards/Recognition

- U.S. News Best Lawyers “One to Watch” – Commercial Litigation 2023, 2024
- U.S. News Best Lawyers “One to Watch” – Patent Litigation 2024
- Pennsylvania Super Lawyers, Rising Star (Business Litigation) (2020-2024)
- National Trial Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 (2021)
- Graduate, IADC Trial Academy, Stanford University (2023)
- William H. Eckert Prize from the University of Pittsburgh Law School for superior upper-division legal writing
- University of Pittsburgh Law School CALI Awards (best grade in class) in Securities Arbitration Clinic, Advanced Trial Evidence, and Criminal Defense and Prosecutorial Ethics Seminar

Professional Affiliations

- Defense Research Institute (“DRI”)
 - Young Lawyers Committee Council Member
 - Intellectual Property Committee Trade Secret Chair
 - Commercial Litigation Committee
- International Association of Privacy Professionals (“IAPP”)
- The Association of Defense Trial Attorneys (“ADTA”) (Invitation Only)
- Allegheny County Bar Association (“ACBA”)
 - Litigation Section
 - Young Lawyers Division Council Member (2020-2022)
 - Legal Education Committee
- The American Bar Association (“ABA”)

Publications

- Defending Against Employee Defection: The Intersectionality of Cybersecurity and Trade Secret Protections in the Digital Age, The Defense Research Institute, *The Brief Case*, Volume II, Issue 8 (September 2023) (Republished in *The Licensing Journal*, Wolters Kluwer Legal and Regulatory (Feb. 2024))
- Copyright Infringement or a Work of Fiction? The Curious Case of Larson v. Perry, Allegheny County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, *Point of Law* (Winter Issue 2022)
- Drone Crimes: A New Frontier in Criminal Defense, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, *The Champion Magazine*, (November 2020 Issue)
- How the Coronavirus Affects Contracts With Force Majeure Clauses in Pennsylvania Courts, Allegheny County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, *Point of Law* (Summer Issue 2020)

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- What You Need to Know About Pennsylvania Drone Crimes, The Pennsylvania Bar Association, *The Pennsylvania Lawyer Magazine* (March/April Issue 2020).
- Peeping Drones: Uncertainty in the UAV World After ACT 78, Allegheny County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, *Point of Law* (Summer Issue 2019).
- The Law's Blind Eye Toward Injustice: Why Lawyers Sometimes Allow Wrongful Convictions, Allegheny County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, *Point of Law* (Winter Issue 2019).

Speaking Engagements

- Artificial Intelligence in Federal Discovery, Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania (January 25, 2024)
- Tips for Winning Discovery Disputes Involving ESI, Defense Research Institute (July 25, 2023)
- Protecting Yourself and Your Client by Identifying and Preserving Digital Information from Day One of a Dispute, Defense Research Institute (May 23rd, 2023)
- A Night at The Science Center: Criminal Procedure for the Non-Criminal Lawyer, The Allegheny County Bar Association, Pittsburgh, PA (February 28th, 2020) (ABA Award Winner)
- Drone Laws: The Imminent Quandary, The American Academy of Forensic Sciences Annual Scientific Meeting, Anaheim, CA (February 21st, 2020)
- Constitutional Rights in the Digital Age: Is There an App for That?, The Allegheny County Bar Association, Pittsburgh, PA (August 29th, 2019)

Representative Matters

General Litigation

- Represented a well-known Washington D.C. engineering firm in the litigation and eventual re-negotiation of a multi-million-dollar default judgment and loan agreement.
- Handled the defense of a Fortune 250 insurance company and the company CEO in federal court action regarding the alleged mishandling of an underlying state court claim's settlement negotiations – the representation resulted in a dismissal of the clients from the lawsuit.
- Represented a large Pittsburgh-area municipality at trial before a Board of Commissioners involving a boundary dispute over the recently built Shell Cracker Plant with tens of millions of dollars of tax revenue at issue, obtaining a favorable judgment.

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Intellectual Property Litigation

- Defended a Dept. of Energy contractor company in a patent infringement suit in Tennessee, successfully counterclaiming for trade secret and unfair competition and obtaining a favorable, confidential settlement.
- Represented real estate company in pre-litigation trade secret investigation resulting in favorable pre-litigation settlement and complete protection of trade secrets.
- Defended Netflix in a copyright infringement suit relating to the Tiger King series, resulting in the court granting a Motion to Dismiss the Complaint on Fair Use grounds.

Cybersecurity and Data Privacy

- Represented a military government contractor in responding to a cybersecurity breach involving ITAR-related breach notification requirements.
- Counseled small businesses on data privacy regulations for website traffic and data collection related to eCommerce pursuant to relevant state and federal regulations pertaining to said businesses.
- Managed the response to a large fraudulent use of a non-profit's donation platform wherein the cyber actor tested stolen credit cards and caused tens of thousands of dollars of damages in transaction fees.

UAS/UAV Drone Litigation and Investigations

- Represented an individual in a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) investigation into PART 107 regulatory violations resulting in no action by the FAA.
- Counseled local municipalities on Pennsylvania's ACT 78 and local use of UAVs in various governmental capacities.
- Defended an Air Force veteran in what is believed to be Pennsylvania's first UAS-related felony jury trial in the Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas. After a week-long jury trial that focused on forensically extracted UAS data, the case resulted in a defense verdict.