

Experience

Mark Gottfried represents employers in all aspects of workers' compensation litigation, including death claims, safety and OSHA violations, Medicare compliance, fraudulent claims and Violations of Specific Safety Requirement (VSSR) investigation and defense. His practice focuses on representing employers before the Industrial Commission of Ohio as well as claims management, working closely with employers and/or third party administrators from the onset of an injury to final resolution of a claim. Mark represents both self-insured and State-funded employers throughout Ohio.

Mark has a wide range of civil litigation experience representing employers in workers' compensation matters in the Ohio Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Common Pleas Court.

Mark is married and has two children.

Civic and Professional Involvement

- Ohio State Bar Association

Accomplishments

- *Ohio Super Lawyers*, 2016

Representative Matters

- Successfully negotiated six-figure settlement of expected permanent total disability claim by working the employer, its third party administrator, and excess carrier. Settlement involved resolution of future indemnity liability and establishment of an approved Medicare Set-Aside Trust.
- Prevailed in Mandamus action in the 10th District Court of Appeals, challenging the start date of permanent total disability benefits. The Decision created leverage to settle future exposure for self-insured employer.
- Terminated temporary total disability compensation using coordinated video surveillance in conjunction with an independent medical examination. Substance of video surveillance combined with examination findings created leverage resulting in settlement of the underlying claim, claimant's formal resignation from employment, as well as a no-rehire agreement in a claim with significant future liability.

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Practice Areas:

- **Workers' Compensation**
- **Labor & Employment**
- **Occupational Safety & Health**
- **Civil & Commercial Litigation**

Bar Admissions:

- Ohio Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, Northern District

Education:

- Southern Methodist University, B.A. and B.S. 1983
- Case Western Reserve School of Law, J.D. 1986