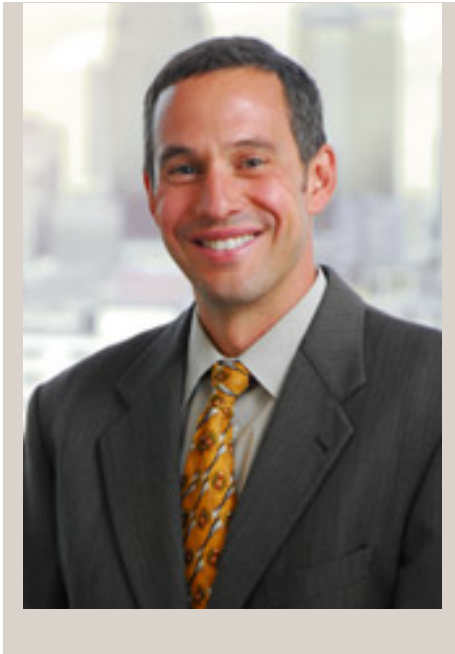


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Steve has spent the last decade primarily representing leading motor vehicle manufacturers and distributors in franchise related matters across the nation. He has successfully worked with clients to proactively develop and implement business solutions and defense strategies. As trial counsel, he has litigated and tried cases before federal and state courts and state administrative agencies across the country. Although much of Steve's practice is focused on work with motor vehicle clients, he also has significant experience representing clients in complex commercial and employment litigation.

The father of four, an avid runner and outdoor enthusiast, Steve's time outside the office is busy balancing family time with camping, adventures races, triathlons and marathons.

Steve graduated from Duke University, with a degree in Political Science in 1991. Upon graduation, he attended law school at the University of Kansas, where was an Associate Editor for the *Kansas Law Review*. Steve received his J.D. in 1994 and was awarded The Order of The Coif.

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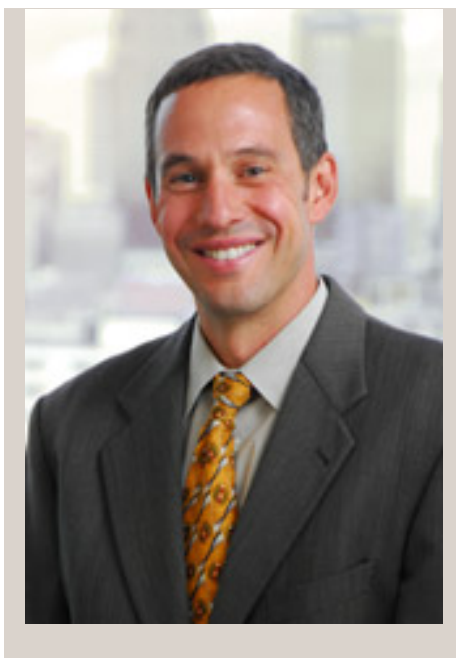
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