

## DAVID L. VAN SLYKE



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An attorney in the firm's Columbus office, David L. Van Slyke's practice areas include general litigation, title insurance litigation and banking and finance law.

As a member of the firm's Title Insurance Practice Group, Mr. Van Slyke's clients include insured owners and lenders under title insurance policies and title insurance companies in escrow defalcations, coverage matters and closing protection letters. Mr. Van Slyke, as a member of the business law group, regularly represents clients in commercial litigation, including commercial loan workouts, receiverships and equipment lease workouts. Mr. Van Slyke has also been involved in litigation involving contract disputes, fraud and white collar crime.

Mr. Van Slyke's representation of clients has involved all phases of pleading, discovery and motion practice, trial advocacy in various state courts and briefing and argumentation in several appellate districts. Mr. Van Slyke is licensed to practice in both state and federal courts.

### Representative Client Work

- Represented national title insurance company in escrow defalcation involving commingling of funds and fraudulent loan disbursements
- Regularly represents lenders in litigation involving lien priority disputes, mortgage/lien validity, enforceability of options to purchase/rights of first refusal and mortgage fraud
- Regularly represents real property owners in litigation relating to boundary disputes, chain of title defects and adverse possession

### Areas of Practice

- Banking, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Law
- Litigation
- Title Insurance Law

### Honors & Awards

- Cleveland State Law Review, Managing Editor

### Education

- Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, magna cum laude, J.D., 2004
- Baldwin-Wallace College, magna cum laude, B.A., 2001

### Bar & Court Admissions

- Ohio, 2004
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2004
- U.S. Federal Court for the Northern District of Ohio, 2004
- U.S. Federal Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 2005

- Regularly consults and represents title insurance companies on coverage and liability issues relative to escrow/closing agent duties
- Regularly presents commercial lenders in foreclosure/loan workout and litigation involving receiverships
- Regularly represents national lenders involving equipment leasing workouts and litigation
- Represented a regional manufacturer in an account dispute with a supplier
- Represented a manufacturer in a wrongful death lawsuit
- Represented a construction company in a contract dispute

### **Professional Affiliations**

- Columbus Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- American Bar Association

### **Community Involvement**

- Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association
- Baldwin-Wallace College Alumni/Parent Recruitment Team (APART) (2007-2009)
- Worthington Kilbourne HS Mock Trial Team (Assistant Coach, 2010-2011)

### **Fraternities**

- Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honorary
- Phi Alpha Theta History Honorary

### **Speaking/Teaching Engagements**

- "Title Workshop: From Examination to Commitment," speaker, National Business Institute, March, 2012
- "Titles to Real Estate in Ohio (Case Law/Legislative Update)," speaker, Ohio State Bar Association, 2008-2011
- "Clearing Title to Distressed Real Estate," speaker, Half Moon LLC, September, 2011
- "Top Title Defects - Cured," speaker, National Business Institute, 2010-2011
- "Residential Real Estate Basics (Liens on Real Property), speaker, National Business Institute, April 2010
- "Ohio Title Insurance (Current Issues in Title Claims), speaker, PESI Law, October 2009
- "Real Estate Law: Advanced Issues and Answers (Liens on Real Property), speaker, National Business Institute, October 2009
- "Drafting & Enforcing Commercial Leases (Landlord Options/Tenant Defenses), speaker, Sterling Educational Services, September 2008