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Rob is a partner in the Cleveland office of Gallagher Sharp where he focuses his practice on commercial transportation and construction litigation. Rob is an experienced trial attorney who defends national and international motor carriers, brokers, freight forwarders, rail intermodal terminal services companies, and logistics providers involved in catastrophic commercial transportation accidents and cargo loss claims. Rob is national counsel for numerous international trucking companies and is part of Gallagher Sharp's Rapid Response Team which is tasked with immediately responding to accident scenes for the purpose of investigating and evaluating catastrophic losses for clients. Rob also devotes a significant portion of his practice to defending manufacturers, general contractors, subcontractors, and architects/engineers in claims involving construction defect, breach of contract, commercial disputes, and personal injury. Rob is active in numerous industry organizations, including the Transportation Industry Defense Association (TIDA), Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM), and Defense Research Institute (DRI), and has been a featured speaker educating both attorneys and industry leaders on new and developing issues in the commercial transportation industry. Prior to returning to his hometown of Cleveland and joining Gallagher Sharp in 2014, Rob practiced law in the commercial transportation and construction fields for eight years in Chicago, Illinois.

Practice Areas

- Transportation
- General Litigation

Bar Admissions

- 2006, Illinois
- 2014, Ohio
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

Education

- **Loyola University Chicago School of Law** (J.D. 2006)
Loyola University School of Law Moot Court Team
- **Miami University** (B.S.in Finance 2003)

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Honors & Recognition

- 2019 Emerging Leader Award, Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA)

Professional Memberships

- Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) (Annual Seminar Committee, Chair 2022)
- Claims and Litigation Management Alliance (CLM)
- Defense Research Institute (DRI) (Transportation Section)
- Transportation Lawyers Association
- Ohio State Bar Association

Publications & Presentations

- Moderator, “From Nuclear Verdicts to Pandemic Verdicts – What You Need to Know,” Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) webinar, November 1, 2021.
- Co-Presenter, “Commitment to Collaboration,” Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) Annual Meeting, Tampa, Florida, October 23, 2019
- Author, “Changes to Hours of Service Regulations May be Coming,” Gallagher Sharp Trucking Newsflash, August 14, 2019
- Co-Presenter, “Preserving Evidence is Not America’s Favorite Pastime,” Northeast Ohio Chapter of CLM, Networking and CLE Event at Progressive Field, Cleveland, Ohio, August 29, 2018
- Author, “FMCSA is Considering Changes to Certain Hours of Service Regulations and Is Requesting Your Input,” Gallagher Sharp Trucking Newsflash, August 24, 2018
- Author, “FMCSA Decides Not To Move Forward With Additional Sleep Apnea Testing,” Gallagher Sharp Trucking Newsflash, August 8, 2017
- Author, “Costly Testing to Diagnose Sleep Apnea May Be Coming,” Gallagher Sharp Trucking Newsflash, August 31, 2016
- Co-author, “The Emperor’s New Clothes - How to Respond to the Reptile Theory and Other New Avenues of Attack from the Plaintiff - Alternative Liability Theories – Broker Liability and its Derivatives, State Anti- Indemnity Motor Transportation Statutes, Driver Classification, The Logo Liability Doctrine a/k/a Placard Liability or The Doctrine of Statutory Employment, Recent Developments in Federal Preemption of State and Local Efforts to Regulate the Trucking Industry, and Payment Priority – Who Gets Paid, the Motor Carrier or the Factoring Company?” DRI Trucking Law Seminar Course Materials, Las Vegas, NV, June 2014

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- Co-author, “The Burden of Showing that Accident/Incident Reports are Protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege and/or Work-Product Doctrine is Not Getting Easier,” *USLAW Digiknow*, March 18, 2014

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- Co-author, "State of Illinois Transportation Compendium of Law," March 2014
- Co-author, "USLAW Transportation Law Compendium," February 2014
- Author, "Mechanics Liens: What Conduct Constitutes Waiver of a Contractual Right to Arbitrate," *IDC Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No 2, Second Quarter 2010
- Speaker, "Construction Law," Chicago Bar Association Tracks Program, Chicago, IL, January 28, 2010
- Speaker, "Justinian Career Night," Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL, March 18, 2009

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