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Overview

Josh Dickinson is a partner in the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution and Labor and Employment Groups. He represents businesses and professionals across a wide spectrum of disputes, including intellectual property, employment, construction, and creditors' rights.

He also has significant experience in representing clients in complex commercial litigation, including class action and multi-jurisdictional disputes. Josh has successfully litigated dozens of cases involving commercial trade secrets, post-employment covenants not-to-compete, and other employment issues in Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and elsewhere. In the construction field, Josh has represented a variety of general contractors, subcontractors, and owners in settings from underground caves to high-rise hotels.

Josh has developed significant experience in defending credit agencies, creditors, and law firms from individual and class action claims brought under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), various state consumer protection statutes, and common law fraud. Josh acts as regional and national counsel for several debt collection agencies and law firms. He has previously served as the Nebraska State Compliance Chair for the Association of Credit and Collection Professionals (ACA) International, and on the ACA's Council of Delegates. Josh is a regular speaker / contributor on FDCPA compliance and litigation issues.

Josh has represented his clients in dozens of jurisdictions and through all phases of the litigation process, including pre-filing negotiations, mediation, discovery, arbitration, bench trial, and jury trial. In addition, Josh is a member of the firm's Appellate Practice Group and has authored briefs before the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, Supreme Court of Missouri, Missouri Court of Appeals, Kansas Court of Appeals, and Wisconsin Court of Appeals.

Josh began his career in private practice at the Spencer Fane Kansas City, Missouri office. After six years in Kansas City, Josh joined the firm's office in Omaha, Nebraska. He is currently licensed and actively practices law in the state and federal courts of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa.

Josh received his law degree in 1999 from Creighton University School of Law in Omaha, Nebraska, where he graduated *magna cum laude* and was a published *Law Review* member. He also sat on Creighton's moot court and client counseling boards. Josh received his bachelor's degree in psychology and Spanish, *summa cum laude*, from Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.

Education

- Creighton University School of Law, 1999 (J.D.), *magna cum laude*
- Morningside College (B.A.), *summa cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Iowa, 2008
- Kansas, 2002
- Missouri, 1999
- Nebraska, 2007

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Iowa
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa
- U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska
- U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri
- Missouri Supreme Court
- Missouri Court of Appeals
- Kansas Court of Appeals

Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2026-2027
  - Commercial Litigation
  - Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions – Defendants
- ACA International, Council of Delegates

Memberships

- ACA International
- Iowa Bar Association
- Kansas Bar Association
- Missouri Bar Association
- Nebraska Bar Association
- Omaha Bar Association
- Receivables Management Association

- The National Creditors Bar Association
- Nebraska Collectors Association

Presentations and Publications

- "Ethics in Debt Collection," CLE: What's New in Debt Collection Law?, Missouri Creditors Bar, Inc., January 2025

Related Experience

- Lead trial counsel in a case concerning FDCPA violations. *Terry Bledsoe v. Midland Funding*.
- Lead trial counsel in jury trial arising from FDCPA counterclaims. *Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Guadalupe Mejia*.
- Lead trial counsel in four-day bench trial defending attorney from claims of legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duty. Judgment for the defendant. *Michael Gallner, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Judy Hoffman, et al. v. C. Gregg Larson*.
- Lead trial counsel in two-day jury trial defending a debt owner from allegations of violations of the FDCPA and FCRA causing severe emotional distress and seeking equitable relief and punitive damages. Defense verdict. *Morlyne Young v. LVNV Funding, LLC*.
- Lead trial counsel in five-day jury trial defending debt collection agency from allegations of violations of the FDCPA and common laws claims causing severe emotional distress. Defense verdict. *Independence Receivables Corporation vs. Andrea Turk Dansby*.
- Plaintiff's counsel in business dispute over monies owed per contract. Full plaintiff's verdict. *James E. Jackson v. Susan Rawlings d/b/a New Century Sales*.
- Represented personal guarantor in five-day jury trial seeking collection of defaulted business loan. Defense verdict. *MGL Management Limited v. A.O., Inc.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Genay Glasgo v. Merchants Credit Adjusters, Inc.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Barry Stimpson v. Midland Credit Management, Inc., et al.*
- Defense counsel in FCRA class action lawsuit. *Stacy Van Gorp v. Commerce Bank*.
- Defense counsel in Missouri Merchandising Practices Act, MMPA class action lawsuit. *Deborah Breedlove v. Jefferson Capital Systems, LLC*.
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Casson Ray Smith, et al. v. Quality Recovery Services, Inc.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Jessica Evans v. Fenton & McGarvey Law Firm, P.S.C, et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Willis Johnson v. Cavalry Portfolio Services, LLC, et al.*
- Defense counsel in FCRA class action lawsuit. *Joseph Menichiello v. CapFusion LLC, et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA and MMPA class action lawsuit. *George May v. NCEP LLC*.
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Jannette Taylor v. Merchants Credit Adjusters, Inc., et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Kelly Bassett v. Credit Bureau Services, Inc., et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Rebecca Eggebraaten v. Messerli & Kramer, P.A., et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending class action counterclaim in FDCPA lawsuit. *Webcollex, LLC d/b/a CKS Financial v. Craig Burk*.
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Shaunna Briles v. Tiburon Financial, L.L.C., et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending class action counterclaim in FDCPA lawsuit. *Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Douglas Tye*.
- Lead counsel in defending class action counterclaim in FDCPA lawsuit. *LVNV Funding, LLC v. Linda Mavaega*.
- Lead counsel in defending class action counterclaim in FDCPA lawsuit. *Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC v. Brandon Turner*.
- Co-lead counsel in defending class action counterclaim in FDCPA lawsuit. *Cavalry Investments, LLC v. Brian Cook*.

- Defense counsel in TCPA class action lawsuit. *Jessica Jones v. Credit Control, LLC, et al.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Walter Henningsen v. Cavalry SPV I, LLC, et al.*
- Local counsel in defending RICO class action lawsuit. *Rosetta Jennings, et al. v. Bonus Building Care, Inc.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Kirby Amos v. Encore Receivable Management, Inc.*
- Local counsel in defending FLSA collective action lawsuit. *Renee Bjorn v. Jerry Erwin Associates, Inc., et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Malena Hinten, et al. v. Midland Funding, LLC.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Ladon Schmidt v. Encore Receivable Management, Inc.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Lisa Birge, et al. v. Aaron Smeall, et al.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Ashley Kircher v. Apelles, L.L.C.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Monique Andrade v. Capital Management Services, L.P.*
- Defense counsel in TCPA class action lawsuit. *American Tile and Marble Co., et al. v. All Granite & Marble Corp.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA and TCPA class action lawsuit. *Jan Adamson v. Check Plus Systems, L.P. d/b/a CPS Security*.
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Brenda Stewart, et al. v. Firstsource Advantage, LLC*.
- Defense counsel in FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Lisa Birge, et al. v. Brumbaugh & Quandahl, P.C., LLO*, et al.
- Defense counsel in TCPA class action lawsuit. *Jenny Brown, et al. v. Torres Credit Services, Inc., et al.*
- Defense counsel in TCPA class action lawsuit. *Jamison Brummel, et al. v. Progressive Financial Services, Inc.*
- Plaintiffs' counsel in FACTA class action lawsuit. *Yehuda Katz v. ABP Corporation*.
- Counsel to collection law firm and debt buyer in FDCPA class action counterclaim. *Resurgent Capital Services LP v. Michael Thomason*.
- Plaintiffs' counsel in FACTA class action lawsuit. *Andrew Beson v. Park Nicollet Health Services, et al.*
- Defense counsel in FDCPA and TCPA class action lawsuit. *Shawn Wood, et al. v. Virtuoso Sourcing, LLC, et al.*
- Plaintiffs' counsel in FACTA class action lawsuit. *John Galloway v. The Kansas City Landsmen LLC, et al.*
- Counsel to collection agency in FDCPA class action counterclaim. *Gemini Capital Group, LLC v. Jason Barton, et al.*
- Counsel to collection agency in FDCPA class action counterclaim. *Gemini Capital Group, LLC v. Thomas Graves, et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Marcia Edwards v. Anthony A. Petrocchi d/b/a Anthony A. Petrocchi, P.C.*
- Counsel defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Samuel Stewart, et al. v. Vion Holdings LLC and Gamache & Myers, P.C.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. Counsel defending FDCPA class action lawsuit.
- Plaintiffs' counsel in FACTA class action lawsuit. *David Michael Batchelder, et al. vs. Palmer's Food Company, Inc. d/b/a Palmer's Deli & Market, et al.*
- Plaintiffs' counsel in FACTA class action lawsuit. *Brady Keith, et al. vs. Back Yard Burgers of Nebraska, Inc., et al.*
- Counsel to collection agency in FDCPA class action counterclaim. *Gemini Capital Group, LLC v. Daniel Tripp, et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Rachel Curnal, et al. vs. LVNV Funding LLC*.
- Co-lead counsel in defending anti-trust lawsuit against concrete company accused of price fixing. *Randy Waterman, et al. vs. GCC Alliance Concrete, Inc., et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending' FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Darlene Garrett, et al. vs. Regent Asset Management Solutions, Inc., et al.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Jeff Veerhussen, et al. vs. Capital Management Services, LP, et al.*
- Local counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Nathanial Johnson, et al. vs. Law Offices of Brachfeld & Associates, et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Jason Szabo, et al. vs. Regent Asset Management Solutions*.
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Miranda Blodgett, et al. vs. Regent Asset Management Solutions, Inc. et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Edward Morgan, et al. vs. Dennis Scott Carruthers, et al.*
- Lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Laraine Harris, et al. vs. D. Scott Carruthers & Assoc., et al.*

- Co-lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Edward J. Nazar, et al. vs. Wolpoff & Abramson LLP*.
- Co-lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Robert Lavender, et al. vs. Wolpoff & Abramson, LLP*.
- Co-lead counsel in defending FDCPA class action lawsuit. *Isabelle Auffert, et al. vs. Wolpoff Abramson, L.L.P.*
- Counsel for national insurance company accused of antitrust and other business torts. *New Century Health Quality Alliance, et al. vs. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City, Inc., et al.*
- Counsel for national insurance company accused of antitrust and other business torts. *James Mirabile, M.D., et al. vs. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City, et al.*.
- Plaintiffs' counsel in class action on behalf of land owners whose property was allegedly contaminated due to negligent intrusion of dioxin. *Gary and Kathy Henry, et al. vs. The Dow Chemical Company*.
- Defense of Consumer Protection Case Results in Big Victory Through Small Award. Spencer Fane attorneys prevail at trial and in post-trial fee motion.

Clerk Experience

- Hon. Gary A. Fenner, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri