

## Sean K. Owens

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Sean Owens is a Partner at Wood Herron & Evans LLP, where his practice includes all aspects of trademarks, copyrights, and related fields involving media, advertising, privacy, licensing, and the internet. Sean is also an adjunct professor at Northern Kentucky University's Chase College of Law, where he teaches Intellectual Property and Other Intangible Rights. He also co-teaches Electronic Media Law at the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music, and has taught Copyrights at UC's College of Law.

Sean has written and presented on a variety of intellectual property topics, and conducted peer review and editing of the book *Computer Games and Virtual Worlds: A New Frontier in Intellectual Property Law* (2d ed.), slated for publication by the American Bar Association. He has also assisted a variety of organizations, including serving on the Board of the Cincinnati chapter of the American Advertising Federation.

A native Cincinnati, Sean lives in Prospect Hill and spends much of his free time learning the joys and tribulations of owning a 19th Century house.

### Areas of Practice

- Copyrights
- Publishing/Media
- Trademarks
- Advertising

### Bar Admissions

- Ohio, 2009



## Education

- **University of Cincinnati College of Law**, Cincinnati, Ohio
  - J.D. - 2008
  - Honors: University of Cincinnati College of Law Moot Court Honor Board
- **University of Cincinnati College of Business**, Cincinnati, Ohio
  - B.B.A. - 2005
  - Major: Marketing
  - Major: Finance
  - Minor: Management

## Published Works

- There's Something New You Need to Know About Copyright Safe Harbor, Co-Authored with Steve Gillen, The IBPA Independent – Trade Monthly of the Independent Book Publishers Association, Vol. 35 No. 7, July, 2017
- Copyright 'safe harbor': A primer for PR pros, Co-Authored with Steve Gillen, Ragan's PR Daily, April 19, 2017
- What You Need to Know About Copyright Safe Harbor, Cincinnati Bar Association Report, Feb., 2017
- Domain Name Protection and Dispute Resolution, Cybersquatting Symposium, Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law, Dec. 8, 2016
- Torts Uber Trademarks or Trademarks Uber Torts: That is the Question, BNA's Patent, Trademark & Copyright Journal, 90 PTCJ 3211, Sept. 18, 2015

## Classes/Seminars

- Domain Name and Internet Issues for Startups, Inventor's Council of Cincinnati, 2017
- Intellectual Property and Other Intangible Rights, Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law, 2016, Present
- Domain Name Protection and Dispute Resolution, Cybersquatting Symposium, Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law, 2016
- Copyrights, University of Cincinnati College of Law, 2015
- Protect Yourself: Why Game Designers Need to Know Patents, Copyrights, and Trademarks, Gen-Con Gaming Convention, 2012, Present
- Legal Issues in Mobile and Gamification, American Advertising Federation Cincinnati Digital Non-Conference, 2011
- Electronic Media Law, University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, 2010, Present

## Honors and Awards

- Ohio Super Lawyers®, Ohio Rising Stars, 2020
- Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers, Class XXI
- Recipient, The Order of the Barristers award for excellence in appellate advocacy



## Professional Associations and Memberships

- Cincinnati Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- International Trademark Association
- CincylP
- American Advertising Federation – Cincinnati, Board of Directors and Chair of Government Relations Committee, 2015 - 2017

