

STEPHEN WALTERS - BIOGRAPHY

Steve grew up in Garfield Heights, Ohio and had the good fortune of attending wonderful schools. He attended Holy Name High School and thereafter Cleveland State University. He graduated from Cleveland State in 1980. He attended the Cleveland State University College of Law, graduating in 1983.

In that same year, he married his wife, Ranae. Ranae and Steve had three wonderful daughters, Stephanie, Abigail and Melanie, along with two sons-in-law, Sam West and Todd Coco. Steve has a granddaughter named Josephine West.

Steve started his career with the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's legal department. He served as an Assistant General Counsel for four years.

Thereafter, he went to practice at the law firm of Kitchen, Deery & Barnhouse for approximately seven years.

He found his home at the Reminger law firm in 1994. He was a shareholder at Reminger upon joining. He was quickly named to the Management Group of the law firm, and finally, became Managing Partner of Reminger Co., L.P.A. from 2005 to 2023. During Steve's tenure as Managing Partner, the Reminger office grew 8 new offices to a total of 15 in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. The firm's growth included additional lawyers, personnel and staff. Steve is very proud that the firm is constantly recognized as one of the Best Workplaces in all the cities in which they have offices. Presently, Steve serves as a Vice President of the firm and a member of Reminger's Executive Leadership Group.

Steve has 40 years of legal experience in a wide variety of areas. In the last 30 years, his practice has focused on the representation of medical professionals and facilities. He also has a continued interest in counseling business clients on their legal and managerial issues. As a trial attorney, Steve has tried more than 130 cases to verdict.

During his time as Managing Partner, Steve was instrumental in a crowning achievement, that being the Reminger Foundation. The Reminger Foundation is a charitable foundation which contributes to causes that are close to the communities where Reminger practices. It started as a very small venture but through good fortune and a very giving workforce, the Reminger Foundation has grown into a significant contributor to people in need.

Steve continues to be recognized as a thought leader in the legal community and is featured in the media outlining his thoughts on successful leadership. He has been recognized and listed in the Best Lawyers in America since 1999. He has been recognized in *Ohio Super Lawyers* since 2006 and has been named one of the Top 50 Attorneys in Cleveland. Steve was inducted into the CSU Law Hall of Fame in 2022. He has also served on the Board of Visitors and was a prior Trustee of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation which is a charitable arm of the Cleveland Bar. Steve remains proud of being a graduate of Cleveland State University and the Cleveland State University College of Law.