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As the Chair of Fox Rothschild's Electronic Discovery Practice Group, Josh assists clients in planning for and managing the risks associated with electronic discovery. With a broad background in commercial litigation and a focus on assisting clients with e-discovery compliance in an efficient and cost-effective manner, Josh routinely provides guidance to clients on preparing, implementing and tracking litigation hold notices; working with clients to identify the locations, custodians and methods of storing electronically stored information; preparing plans for electronic discovery in litigation; coordinating the preservation, collection and extraction of potentially discoverable ESI; preparing discovery requests and responses; and working with litigation teams to efficiently review and analyze documents for production and trial preparation.

Josh has experience advising clients and handling many different types of litigation and legal disputes in various state and federal courts, including the following:

- Commercial disputes involving contracts and business torts
- Intellectual property disputes (including copyright, trademarks, trade secrets and patents)
- Non-compete and employment issues
- Disputes between business owners
- Landlord and tenant disputes
- Residential and commercial real estate disputes
- Construction matters
- Insurance-related matters, including homeowners' coverage and automobile coverage (first-party and UM/UIM issues)

Before Fox Rothschild

Josh served as a clerk to the Hon. Thomas A. Wallitsch of the Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas, with respect to various civil cases including medical malpractice, premises liability, construction, commercial contractual disputes, and zoning and land use issues.

As an undergraduate, Josh performed in the Villanova University Theater and acted, directed, co-produced, and directed publicity for the Villanova Student Theater. He has also performed at Allens Lane Community Theater in Chestnut Hill.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Josh has participated in local Little League organizations as both a coach and an umpire.

Honors & Awards

- Selected as a "Pennsylvania Rising Star" by *Philadelphia Magazine* and *Law & Politics Magazine* (2006)

Practice Areas

- Litigation
- E-Discovery
- Intellectual Property
- Education
- Privacy and Data Security

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- Pennsylvania Supreme Court

Education

- University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., 1999)
- Villanova University (B.A., 1996)

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association

Publications

May 16, 2016

How Companies Can Plan Ahead and Minimize the Burdens of E-Discovery

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

May 16, 2016

For Now, Residential Funding and "Inherent Authority" Doctrine for Spoliation Sanctions Live On

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

April 29, 2016

Who Bears the Burden of Proving Prejudice for the Unintentional Spoliation of ESI?



The E-Discovery Stage Blog

April 27, 2016

Adverse Inference Not Available Under Rule 37(e)(1) As Remedy for Unintentional Spoliation

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

December 10, 2015

Courts Are Starting to Apply and Interpret FRCP Amendments on e-Discovery

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

July 31, 2015

E-Discovery Comes to the NFL: What we can learn from Tom Brady's Cell Phone Destruction

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

March 11, 2015

What does the future hold for e-discovery?

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

March/April 2015

What's in the Future for E-Discovery?

Law Practice

January 15, 2015

The Biggest Cause of e-Discovery Problems?

The E-Discovery Stage Blog

September 15, 2014

Ignore E-Discovery Obligations At Your Peril In Pennsylvania

The E-Discovery Stage Blog