

## Ohio Revised Code

Section 1776.37 Actions by and against partnership and partners.

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- (A) A partnership may sue and be sued in the name of the partnership.
- (B) An action may be brought against the partnership and, to the extent not inconsistent with section 1776.36 of the Revised Code, any or all of the partners in the same action or in separate actions.
- (C) A judgment against a partnership is not by itself a judgment against a partner. A judgment against a partnership may not be satisfied from a partner's assets unless there is also a judgment against the partner.
- (D) A judgment creditor of a partner may not levy execution against the assets of a partner to satisfy a judgment based on a claim against the partnership unless the partner is personally liable for the claim under section 1776.36 of the Revised Code and any of the following apply:
- (1) A judgment based on the same claim was obtained against the partnership and a writ of execution on the judgment was returned unsatisfied in whole or in part;
- (2) The partnership is a debtor in bankruptcy;
- (3) The partner agreed that the creditor need not exhaust partnership assets;
- (4) A court grants permission to the judgment creditor to levy execution against the assets of a partner based on a finding that partnership assets subject to execution are clearly insufficient to satisfy the judgment, that exhaustion of partnership assets is excessively burdensome, or that the grant of permission is an appropriate exercise of the court's equitable powers;
- (5) Liability is imposed on the partner by law or contract independent of the existence of the partnership.



(E) This section applies to any partnership liability or obligation resulting from a representation by a partner or purported partner under section 1776.38 of the Revised Code.