

PEOPLE ON THE MOVE

► SPOTLIGHT



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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
MANAGER, **BENESCH
FRIEDLANDER COPLAN &
ARONOFF**

Age: 43

Vitals: Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Ohio State University. Formerly was legislative liaison to former Ohio Attorney General Betty Montgomery. Spent 13 years working in corporate government relations for telecommunications companies.

Why this business: Helping great clients like NAWBO Columbus and others understand the importance of public policy on business and working with them to impact how government policy and regulation affects their bottom line. Working with wonderful people in and around the Ohio Statehouse.

Hometown: Centerville

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First job: L.M. Berry & Co. at 16. It's a Yellow Pages advertising company in Dayton.

Stress relievers: Being with my kids and exercise.

Most admire in business: Linda Hondros (CEO of Hondros College of Business) for inspiring me and for being a role model for strong women everywhere who want to compete and succeed in the business world. And Victor Goodman (a partner at Benesch) for his amazing career spanning many decades and many administrations while maintaining his values above all else, for the admiration he receives from others as a testament to his character, for always being willing to offer me a helping hand, and for his consistently happy demeanor and adorable infectious laugh that always brightens my day.

Best part of job: Always changing, always challenging.

Biggest job challenge: Building a client base.

Best compliment anyone could give you: "We couldn't have done it without you"

Like about Central Ohio: Small town feel in a big city and Ohio State University.

Person you'd most like to meet, living or dead: I never knew any of my grandparents. I'd like to meet them all.

Favorite book: *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein.

Most interesting place you've traveled and why: The Grand Canyon – awe inspiring – everything is small after that.

Favorite drink: Water

Sports team: Ohio State Buckeyes

Dream car: No dream car. I would much rather have a dream vacation. South America, Africa, Australia, anyone?

Personal heroes: My mom and dad.

If you won the lottery tomorrow: Take care of my family, donate and travel.

Childhood ambition: I always wanted to work with animals, but my allergies got in the way.

Pet peeve: Poor grammar.

What's the riskiest thing you've ever done? Was it worth it? Left a secure, well-paying job to take a chance building a business within Benesch. Absolutely worth it. Best move I could have made.

Is there something about you that would surprise people? I have a weird obsession with birds of prey.

What do you see yourself doing at 50 or beyond? Keeping up with my kids, staying fit and strong, working hard and traveling more.

How do you turn around a lousy day? Spend time with my kids unless they're making it lousy and then I exercise.

How do you keep fit? Love exercise classes when I can fit them in, playing soccer, running and anything else that gets me moving.

What's your ideal meal? Hyde Park Steakhouse

Personal: Live in Powell; single with two wonderful kids, Emma, 11 and Grant, 8.

► FINANCE



Jeff Savage

At **Brady Ware & Co.** passed the Certified Fraud Examiner exam.



Jennifer Livermore

Promoted to senior client service representatives at **Hamilton Capital Management**.



Jillian Wendling



Drew Vennemeyer

At Quandt joined the board of the **Commercial Real Estate Development Association of Central Ohio**.

► MARKETING



Tim Farrel

Joined **Conrad Phillips Vutech** as director of business development and was promoted to director of digital services.



Melissa Boswell



Ray Haas

Promoted to operations auditor and web developer at **RevLocal**.



Archie Smith

► SERVICES



Kelsey Nolan

Joined **Taste Hospitality** as marketing and special events coordinator.



Donna Collins

Joined the **Ohio Arts Council** as executive director.



Marla Leonhard

Joined **Flying Horse Farms** as special events manager.



Mike Bradley

Promoted to vice president, planning and service development at **Central Ohio Transit Authority**.

► NONPROFIT

► LAW



David Jackson

Joined **Eastman & Smith** as partners.



Brian Johnson

► SERVICES



Jacqueline Rinehardt

Joined **Neace Lukens** as marketing and senior account executive.

► REAL ESTATE



Heather Cox

Joined **Bellwether Enterprise Real Estate Capital LLC** as processor.



Candace DeFrancisco

Joined **Coldwell Banker King Thompson** as sales associates.



Amber Harvel

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