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E-NEWS AND EVENTS FROM BENESCH

Winter 2014/2015

Benesch Names Gregg A. Eisenberg As New Managing Partner



Gregg A. Eisenberg

Benesch is pleased to announce that **Gregg A. Eisenberg** has been named Managing Partner of the firm. Mr. Eisenberg served as Associate Managing Partner for the past year and succeeds **Ira C. Kaplan**, who held the position since 2008 and who has been named Executive Chairman of the firm. Mr. Kaplan will continue his active corporate, M&A and private equity practice going forward.

In addition to serving as Managing Partner, Mr. Eisenberg heads Benesch's Strategic Planning Committee and is also a member of the firm's Executive Committee and a practicing member of the Corporate & Securities Practice Group.

"I am honored to have been selected for this role and look forward to helping expand the firm's national presence," said Mr. Eisenberg. "Ira Kaplan has done a phenomenal job over the past seven years. We plan to build on the strong foundation that he has established and will continue to expand our reach through both organic and geographic growth. Ira will continue to be an integral element in that strategy as Executive Chairman of our firm. Together we will focus on delivering the highest quality of client service, as it is essential to our firm's mission."



Ira C. Kaplan

Kevin D. Margolis and Jeffrey J. Wild Named 2015 BTI Client Service All-Stars



Kevin D. Margolis



Jeffrey J. Wild

Partners **Kevin D. Margolis** and **Jeffrey J. Wild** have been named 2015 Client Service All-Stars by The BTI Consulting Group. BTI named 354 attorneys across the U.S. to this year's All-Stars list. These attorneys earned recognition from leading general counsel and legal decision makers for outperforming all other attorneys in client service. View the complete report of 2015 BTI Client Service All-Stars [here](#).

Benesch Names New Partners

Attorneys **J. Allen Jones, III** (Litigation Practice Group in the Columbus office) and **David Mansbery, Jr.** (Real Estate & Environmental Practice Group in the Cleveland office) were named partners early in 2015.



J. Allen Jones, III



David Mansbery, Jr.



Joy A. Barrist

Joy A. Barrist Appointed Vice Chair of Mortgage Lending Committee

Ms. Barrist was appointed Vice Chair of the Mortgage Lending Committee of the Real Property, Trusts and Estates Section of the American Bar Association for 2015–2016.

Attorneys Join Boards Through BVU: The Center for Nonprofit Excellence's Board Matching and Linking New Leaders Programs



James A. Brown



Alison K. Evans



Aaron Mendelsohn



Anthony C. Sallah

James A. Brown

Young Professionals Group of the First Tee of Cleveland

Alison K. Evans

Young Professionals Group of American Cancer Society of Greater Cleveland

Aaron Mendelsohn

Board of Directors of Waterloo Arts

Anthony C. Sallah

Public Policy Committee of Adoption Network Cleveland

Congratulations to Benesch's 2015 Super Lawyers

Super Lawyers® is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. Learn more about Super Lawyers and the criteria for nomination [here](#).

2015 Ohio Super Lawyers:

Mark E. Avsec
Gary B. Bilchik
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Harry M. Brown
Maynard A. Buck
Frank W. Carsonie
Thomas O. Crist
Jeremy Gilman
N. Victor Goodman
Joseph N. Gross
Norman W. Gutmacher
James M. Hill
Ira C. Kaplan
Ross J. Kirchick
Peter N. Kirsanow
Megan L. Mehalko
David W. Mellott

Barry J. Miller
Alan E. Schabes
William E. Schonberg
Michael K. Swearngen
Jeffrey J. Wild
Eric L. Zalud
Robert A. Zimmerman

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T. Ted Motheral
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2015 Indiana Super Lawyers:

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James H. Schwarz
Judy L. Woods

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Raegan M. Gibson
Stephanie S. Penninger

2015 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers:

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Nicole D. Galli

Adding to the Benesch Team

Columbus



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Benesch attorneys Joseph N. Gross, Amanda M. Miller and Allan Goldner



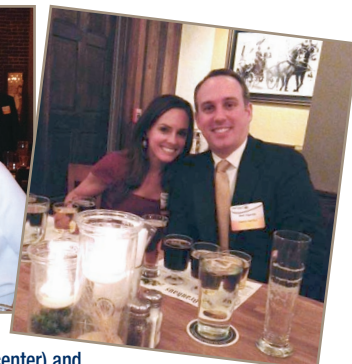
Joseph G. Tegreene and Priscila A. Rocha

The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio's 2014 Humanitarian Award Dinner

Benesch was pleased to sponsor The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio's 2014 Humanitarian Award Dinner held November 20, 2014, at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel. Since 1949, The Diversity Center's Humanitarian Award has been presented annually to men and women who have made outstanding contributions to the improvement of human relations among diverse groups in Northeast Ohio. Congratulations to this year's honorees, Rick Chiricosta and Jose Feliciano.



Attorneys Peter S. French (pictured above standing), Jennifer R. Hoover (pictured above center) and Joy A. Barrist (pictured right) with attendees



Philadelphia Beer Tasting Event

On the evening of November 20, 2014, our Philadelphia office hosted a beer-tasting event at Brauhaus Schmitz. Clients and friends of the firm were invited to enjoy an evening of networking while sampling an array of beers and food.

Benesch Recognizes "First in Service" Top Performer Award Winners

The Third Quarter 2014 "First in Service" Top Performer Award Winners are **Becky Kaloczi** (Legal Secretary in the Cleveland Office) and **Brad Sullivan** (PC Support Analyst in the Indianapolis Office) and the Fourth Quarter 2014 "First in Service" Top Performer Award winner is **Liz Boehm** (Senior Marketing & Business Development Manager in the Cleveland office).

Peggy Satola (Technology Trainer in the Cleveland office) received the 2014 Annual "First in Service" Top Performer Award.

These honors are well-deserved. Congratulations to all!



Panelists from left to right are Ann Colussi Dee (General Counsel, Duke Realty), Chad Pryor (Assistant General Counsel, HighPoint Global), J. Scott Enright (Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Emmis Communications). Moderator is Indianapolis office Partner-in-Charge Jeffrey A. Abrams.

Indiana Corporate Counsel Survey

In November 2014, we partnered with *The Indiana Lawyer* to conduct a survey of Indiana general counsel. We asked the GCs to weigh in on the biggest opportunities and challenges they expect to face in 2015. The results of the survey (available [here](#)) were presented during a program on December 17, 2014, in Indianapolis. A very special thanks to our panelists, Ann Colussi Dee, GC of Duke Realty Corporation; J. Scott Enright, EVP, GC & Secretary of Emmis Communications; and Chad Pryor, AGC of HighPoint Global, for sharing their insights and reactions to the survey results.



Becky Kaloczi



Brad Sullivan with Matthew Thielemann (left) and Jeffrey Abrams (right)



Liz Boehm with Gregg Eisenberg



Peggy Satola with Gregg Eisenberg

Benesch Offices Participate in National Wear Red Day

All across the firm—including our Wilmington, Philadelphia, Indianapolis, Columbus and Cleveland offices—our attorneys and staff wore red for National Wear Red Day in support of Go Red For Women and the American Heart Association. Check out the pictures from the Benesch offices below.



Indianapolis



Philadelphia



Cleveland



Columbus



Wilmington

Benesch Takes Part in the Cleveland Puppy Bowl

The Cleveland APL teamed up with Uber and Animal Planet's Puppy Bowl XI to deliver puppies to animal lovers across Cleveland for 15 minutes of snuggle time. Our Cleveland office attorneys and staff enjoyed visiting with the puppies—and one was even adopted by one of our paralegals! Read more about the Cleveland Puppy Bowl [here](#).



Madeline T. McGrane, Donna Fuller, Kathleen Kennedy, Mary Money, Kelley Lowbridge, Sherri Thorsky



Madeline T. McGrane

Douglas E. Haas

Upcoming Events

What's In a Retail Lease?

*ICSC – Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan & Pennsylvania
Retail Development & Law Symposium*

David Mansbery, Jr.

February 27, 2015 | Columbus, OH

Legal Updates

ICSC Midwest Law Symposium

James H. Schwarz

February 28, 2015 | Columbus, OH

What Does the Lender Really Need (and Not Really Need) as Part of the Deal

ICSC Midwest Law Symposium

Andrew A. Kleiman

February 28, 2015 | Columbus, OH

Legal Update for Long Term Care

*American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA)
District 3 Conference*

Janet K. Feldkamp

March 5, 2015 | Rising Sun, IN

Positioning Yourself to Avoid Worker Misclassification 2015 Truckload Carriers Association Annual Convention

Richard A. Plewacki

March 8–11, 2015 | Kissimmee, FL

Transportation and Logistics Law

International Warehouse Logistics Association's Annual Conference

Marc S. Blubaugh

March 10, 2015 | Savannah, GA

Where Disagreements Become Legal Dispute: Blurred Lines in Small Businesses

*National Business Institute – Partnership and Shareholder Disputes
From Start to Finish Seminar*

Mark R. Waterfill

March 13, 2015 | Indianapolis, IN

Where are Companies Increasing Margin and What are the Hottest Areas of Packaging?

AWA Mergers & Acquisitions Executive Forum

James M. Hill

March 16, 2015 | Chicago, IL

Licensing Made Difficult: Issues Clearing Music Rights

South By Southwest Music Conference 2015

Mark A. Avsec

March 19–20, 2015 | Austin, TX

Benesch Labor & Employment Law Seminar Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (CMBA)

May 7, 2015 | Cleveland, OH

For additional information on the above events, please contact Megan Pajakowski at 216.363.4639 or mpajakowski@beneschlaw.com

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Hiring/Open Positions

The Benesch Team is currently seeking candidates for the following positions and office locations. If you have any questions or would like to submit a resume or refer a candidate, please contact Laura Dutt, Legal Recruiting Manager, ldutt@beneschlaw.com.

Cleveland, OH

Corporate & Securities Associate
Real Estate & Environmental Practice Group Mid-Senior Associate
Real Estate & Environmental Affordable Housing Attorney
Health Care Associate

Columbus, OH

Real Estate & Environmental Affordable Housing Attorney
Health Care Associate
Corporate & Securities Partner or Of Counsel

Indianapolis, IN

Real Estate Associate
Real Estate Attorney
Corporate & Securities Partner or Of Counsel
Health Care Attorney

Wilmington, DE

Litigation Associate
Intellectual Property Partner



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