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Indianapolis Bar Association Recognizes Newman and Canny

Norman R. Newman, a partner with Benesch's [Real Estate & Environmental](#) Practice Group, has been recognized by the Indianapolis Bar Association for his achievement of 50 years in the practice of law. Additionally, **Cathy D. Canny**, a paralegal with Benesch's [Business Reorganization](#) and [Litigation](#) Practice Groups, has been named a 2010 Distinguished Associate Fellow by the Indianapolis Bar Association.

Gilman Reappointed Co-Chair of Class Actions Subcommittee

Jeremy Gilman, a partner with Benesch's [Litigation](#) Practice Group, has been reappointed Co-Chair of the Class Actions Subcommittee of the American Bar Association Litigation Section's Commercial & Business Litigation Committee for 2010–2011. As Subcommittee Co-Chair, Jeremy will continue playing a key role in developing and implementing the Class Action Subcommittee's programming for the 2010–2011 bar year.

14 Benesch Attorneys Named 2011 Rising Stars

Benesch is pleased to announce that 14 attorneys have been named 2011 Rising Stars. Rising Stars are determined through a statewide nomination process, peer review by practice area and independent research on candidates. Rising Stars recognizes lawyers practicing less than 10 years or who are under age 40. [Congratulations to Benesch's 2011 Rising Stars.](#)

Ervin, Korman and Reuscher Named Partners

Benesch announces that **James L. Ervin, Jr.**, **Jean Kerr Korman** and **Christopher P. Reuscher** have been named partners.

James is a member of the firm's [Litigation](#) Practice Group and Chair of its [Corporate Compliance & Regulatory Enforcement](#) Practice Group. He focuses his practice on regulatory enforcement, white collar criminal defense, business litigation and public law. He defends clients before courts, administrative agencies and regulatory bodies that have civil and/or criminal enforcement powers, and counsels clients regarding best practices in order to avoid civil and/or criminal exposure. James received his B.A. from The University of Arizona and his J.D. from Capital University Law School. James works out of the firm's Columbus office.

Jean is a member of the firm's [Construction](#) and [Litigation](#) Practice Groups. She focuses her practice on public and private construction law, real estate law and commercial litigation. Jean represents owners, design professionals, contractors and subcontractors in the defense and prosecution of delay claims, disruption and loss of efficiency claims, and post-acceptance defect and deficiency claims. She has also counseled owners, contractors and sureties in the defense and prosecution of default termination claims and default takeovers of numerous public and private contracts. Jean received her B.A. from The Ohio State University and her J.D. *cum laude* from Cleveland State University, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Jean works out of the firm's Cleveland office.

Chris is a member of the firm's [Corporate & Securities](#) and [Private Equity](#) Practice Groups as well as a member of the firm's Hiring Committee. He focuses his practice in the area of mergers and acquisitions as well as private debt and equity financings. He also has significant experience in representing private equity and venture capital funds and the portfolio companies of such funds, and representing companies at various stages of growth with securities law disclosure and compliance issues and general business counseling. Chris received his B.A. from Malone University and his J.D. *with honors* from The University of Akron School of Law. Chris is also a member of the Malone University Athletic Hall of Fame. Chris works out of the firm's Cleveland office.



Metzel Travels to China with Government and Business Leaders

Andi M. Metzel, a partner with Benesch's [Real Estate & Environmental](#) and [Litigation](#) Practice Groups, recently traveled to China with Indiana

Governor Mitch Daniels as part of a delegation of business and community leaders seeking to increase global business and investment opportunities. Six Indiana mayors were among the delegation that participated in business meetings in Shanghai and Hangzhou.

Andi stated, "Cooperative work with business and government leaders is necessary to succeed in a competitive worldwide marketplace." Industry objectives for the trip included manufacturing, industrial development, energy, life sciences, transportation, logistics, education and agricultural trade.

32 Benesch Attorneys Named 2011 Super Lawyers®

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New Attorneys

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B.S. Villanova University

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J.D. *University of Pittsburgh*

Law School

Ted focuses his practice on all aspects of business and corporate law, including drafting and reviewing documents for asset, stock and merger transactions. Additionally, Ted has experience in advising companies of all sizes on general corporate matters, such as corporate governance and compliance issues.

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B.A. *Bowling Green State*

University

J.D. *University of Toledo*

College of Law

Sarah has experience in all aspects of complex civil litigation in the Delaware state and federal courts, including intellectual property and commercial disputes.

Benesch Ranks in Top Tiers of *Best Lawyers*® “Best Law Firms” Survey

Benesch is pleased to announce that the firm has been [ranked](#) by [U.S. News-Best Lawyers](#)® as a “Best Law Firm” in several practice areas.

Most notably, the firm’s Cleveland office was ranked Tier 1 for Administrative/Regulatory Law, Corporate Law, Health Care Law, Real Estate Law, Securities/Capital Markets Law and Venture Capital Law. The firm’s Columbus office was ranked Tier 1 for Health Care Law and Non-Profit/Charities Law. The firm’s Indianapolis office was ranked Tier 1 for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law and Real Estate Law.

Please click [here](#) to view Benesch’s rankings in their entirety.

Benesch is Highest-Ranked Non-AmLaw 200 Firm on MLF Top 50

Benesch is the highest-ranked non-AmLaw 200 firm among the top 50 law firms in marketing and business development, according to Marketing the Law Firm’s Sixth Annual MLF 50 listing, published in the November 2010 edition of the legal industry newsletter. Benesch ranked No. 11 on this national list.

Over the past five years, Benesch has taken steps to set itself apart as a leader in client service and business development. A focus on branding has emphasized Benesch’s practice of building teams around its clients and forming strong relationships with them. Led by Chief Marketing Officer **Jeanne Hammerstrom**, the firm’s marketing, communications and business development activities have been strategically aligned to support the firm’s client service initiative and its overall strategic plan.

Benesch Hosts Not-for-Profit Networking Event



Benesch’s Not-for-Profit Team hosted a client networking reception on November 18 in Columbus. The event was held to thank Benesch’s not-for-profit clients for the work they do in the community. Also, **Marty Sweterlitsch**, Chair of Benesch’s [Not-for-Profit](#) Team, was congratulated on receiving the “[2010 Outstanding Lawyer Award](#)” by the American Bar Association’s Nonprofit Organizations Committee.

Benesch Partner and Health Care Group Co-Chair Janet K. Feldkamp recognizes Marty for receiving the ABA award.

Events

Financing-the-Deal: The State of the Credit Markets & Other Issues Affecting Deal-Making in the Healthcare Sector

Ari J. Markenson

iiBIG Investment and M&A Opportunities in Healthcare Conference

January 25, 2011 | Nashville, TN

FLSA/Wage & Hour Crackdown

Mark R. Waterfill

Beyond the Basics in Employment Law Seminar, presented by Sterling Education Services, Inc.

February 8, 2011 | Indianapolis, IN

Improper Inventorship: Don’t Shoot Yourself in the Foot!

Steven M. Auvil

Cleveland Intellectual Property Law Association Meeting

February 10, 2011 | Columbus, OH

When the Government Knocks on Your Door

Alan E. Schabes

Independent Pharmacy Business Growth Conference

February 17–19, 2011 | Orlando, FL



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