

# Benesch Ranks First in The American Lawyer Summer Associate Survey

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CLEVELAND, OHIO - October 20, 2008 - Benesch announced that the firm ranked first in Cleveland in the 2008 American Lawyer Summer Associate Survey. The firm received an overall score of 4.587 on a 5 point scale, with 5 being the highest score possible. This is the second consecutive year Benesch has ranked first in Cleveland in the survey.

The 2008 survey was sent to nearly 11,000 summer associates at 190 law firms. More than 7,600 summer associates provided written evaluations and comments on their firms. The average of nine job satisfaction questions was used to determine a firm's composite score. The respondents were also asked to rate the firm overall as a place to work.

Kevin Margolis, Chair of the firm's Hiring Committee, added, "Our Hiring Committee, recruiting department, attorneys and staff are proud to have offered a meaningful, rewarding summer associate experience. We value the responses that our summer associates provided, and are pleased to have provided them a solid beginning to their legal careers."

Benesch is a six-time winner of the NorthCoast 99 Award - Best Places to Work. In 2008, Benesch ranked #9 in the nation and #3 among our non AmLaw peers by The American Lawyer Mid-Level Associate Survey which examines associate satisfaction. This survey also ranked the firm #1 in Cleveland #11 nationally in 2007. With offices in Cleveland, Columbus, Philadelphia, Shanghai and Wilmington, Benesch's practice and industry groups include Business Reorganization, the China Group, Compensation & Benefits, Construction, Commercial Finance & Banking, Corporate & Securities, Litigation, Health Care, Intellectual Property, Labor & Employment, Polymer Industry, Private Equity, Public Law, Real Estate & Environmental, Tax, Transportation & Logistics, and Estate Planning & Probate. For more information, visit [www.beneschlaw.com](http://www.beneschlaw.com).