

Benesch Ranks Ninth in Nation in Mid-Level Associates Survey

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CLEVELAND, OHIO - August 18, 2008 - Benesch is pleased to announce that the firm has been ranked 9th nationally and 2nd in the state of Ohio, out of 157 law firms by The American Lawyer Mid-Level Associate Survey. The annual survey examined 11 areas that contribute to job satisfaction for the associates including: relationships with partners and other associates, the interest and satisfaction level of work, training and guidance, policy on billables, management openness about firm strategies and partnership opportunities, compensation and benefits, and the respondents' inclination to stay at their firm for at least two more years.

Benesch Managing Partner, Ira Kaplan, said, "Associate satisfaction is critical to the success of our firm. We are excited that enthusiasm for our firm and its practice is shared by our associates."

Benesch is a six-time winner of the NorthCoast 99 Award - Best Places to Work. In 2007, Benesch ranked #11 in the nation by The American Lawyer Mid-Level Associate Survey which examines associate satisfaction. In 2008, we ranked #9 in the nation. Additionally, in 2007, Benesch ranked #1 in Cleveland, #1 in the state of Ohio and 35th nationally in The American Lawyer Summer Associate Survey in which the average of nine job satisfaction questions was used to determine a firm's overall score. 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.