

PRESS RELEASE

Melissa Hoeffel Appointed to the Association of Ohio Commodores

Columbus, OH – June 21, 2016 – <u>Melissa R. Hoeffel</u>, Partner-in-Charge of Roetzel's Columbus office, was inducted into the Association of Ohio Commodores on Saturday, June 18, 2016. The Association of Ohio Commodores inducted 22 people from around Ohio during the Annual Summer Meeting at Hilton Easton, located in Columbus.

Melissa focuses her practice on government relations and administrative law, with an emphasis on legislative and executive agency lobbying, campaign finance and election law, government contract procurement, and hearings before various administrative agencies and boards. Moreover, she counsels small and large companies, trade associations and nonprofit entities on legislative and administrative matters in a diverse range of industries including, health care, information technology, telecommunications and education. Melissa was selected as an "Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Star" in 2010. In addition, she is a 2011 graduate of Leadership Columbus, and a 2013 graduate of the Jo Ann Davidson Leadership Institute.

The Association of Ohio Commodores is a group of individuals recognized by the Governor of Ohio with the state's most distinguished honor, *The Executive Order of the Ohio Commodore*. Each year, outstanding Ohioans are recognized for their business accomplishments, acumen, and leadership with this prestigious honor.

Governor James A. Rhodes formed the Association of Ohio Commodores in 1966 for the purpose of assisting the state of Ohio in advancement in all areas of contributing to the growth of and development of the state and greater prosperity of its citizens. The association was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio in 1971 as a non-profit organization and not its esteemed members are primarily involved with supporting the Office of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

The Association is a nonpartisan organization that currently boasts a diverse and dedicated membership of more than 350 men and women. Members include government officials, distinguished university presidents and administrators; banking and legal professionals; leaders of trade organizations; chambers and economic development organizations; and senior management of executives in large, medium, and small manufacturers from across Ohio in a wide variety of industries. To learn more about the Association of Ohio Commodores, visit www.ohiocommodores.org.

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