

## **Roetzel & Andress and Abraham & Roetzel Team Up with City and County to Host Transportation Summit**

***Cincinnati Regional Summit on Rail & Transit Integration Set for February 20, 2014***

Roetzel & Andress, LPA and its government affairs and issue management partner Abraham & Roetzel LLC are pleased to announce their collaboration with Hamilton County and the City of Cincinnati in sponsoring the Regional Summit on Rail & Transit Integration. The Summit will be held on February 20, 2014 at the Cincinnati Museum Center at Union Terminal from 9:30 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. [Registration for the Summit can be completed online here.](#)

The Summit, which expects to attract senior officials from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI), the Cincinnati Port Authority and both national and local freight rail companies, will address a full slate of issues related to the Cincinnati region's transit systems. Expected speakers include:

- Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley
- Hamilton County Commissioner Todd Portune
- Karen Hedlund, Deputy Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration
- Jay Williams - Director, Office of Recovery for Auto Communities and Workers, U.S. Department of Labor
- Mark Polston - Deputy Director of the TIFIA Credit Program, US Department of Transportation
- Terry Garcia Crews, General Manager & CEO, Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority
- Mary Stagaman, Vice President of Regional Initiatives and Executive Director of Agenda 360, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce

"We are delighted to be a part of this important event," said **Lewis W. Adkins, Jr.**, partner and practice group manager of the Public Law, Regulatory and Finance Group at Roetzel & Andress. "The Summit really showcases what the firm, in cooperation with our partners in the City of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, can do when we all row in the same direction. Events like the Regional Summit bring together all the interested parties and decision makers in a forum where ideas are discussed, issues addressed and plans can be fleshed out for the greater Cincinnati region's transportation requirements over the long term."

"This type of collaboration is key to the integration of the OKI region's transit systems and engages nearly all of the vital decision makers in one locale and with one goal, that of moving a fully integrated and multi-modal transit plan forward," added **Bob Carey**, President of Abraham & Roetzel LLC. "I am thrilled that both Abraham & Roetzel and our partners at Roetzel & Andress can facilitate and encourage this type of meeting of the minds – we are pleased to be a part of the process."

On the agenda for the Summit are panel discussions on "Freight Rail and Transit Integration" and "Innovative Financing for Regional Rail and Transit Requirements," in addition to the Keynote Address by

Jay Williams, Director, Office of Recovery for Auto Communities and Workers, U.S. Department of Labor, on “Innovative & Non-Traditional Financing.”

For further information about the Summit, please contact Brad Knollenberg of Abraham & Roetzel at [BKnollenberg@ARGovAffairs.com](mailto:BKnollenberg@ARGovAffairs.com).

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