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Federal Bar Association Chapter Will Install New Officers

Cleveland, Ohio (Oct. 13, 2015) – The Federal Bar Association – Northern District of Ohio Chapter recently installed new officers and directors at a ceremony at the Carl B. Stokes U.S. Court House in Cleveland. The new officers are:

- Tim L. Collins, President, Collins & Scanlon, LLP
- Anthony J. Vegh, President-Elect, Vecchio & Vegh, LLC
- Rebecca J. Bennett, Vice President, Ogletree Deakins
- J. Philip Calabrese, Secretary, Porter Wright
- Deneen LaMonica, Treasurer, Zicarelli & Matello

Collins heads the litigation group at Collins & Scanlon. In addition to general and commercial litigation, his expertise includes class actions, computer law, franchise law, receiverships and complex commercial litigation. He is a member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and its Litigation Section, where he was past chair, and the Ohio State Bar Association, where he was a past chair of the Computer Law Committee. He is a Commissioner on the Supreme Court of Ohio's Board of Professional Conduct and a member of the Subcommittee on Commercial Dockets. He also was a member of the Advisory Committee on Technology and the Courts. He served as chairman of the Cleveland Heights Recreation Advisory Board; was on the board of the Catholic Charities Facilities Corporation; and was on the board, on the executive committee and was secretary of the Home Repair Resource Center. Collins is a board member and legal counsel to the Dunham Tavern Museum; a co-founder and board member of the Irish American Law Society of Cleveland; a life member of the Judicial Conference of the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Federal Circuit; and a life member of the Eighth Judicial District for Cuyahoga

County. He was recognized as an Ohio Super Lawyer, Business Litigation in 2010, 2012-2015, and was recognized as a member of the Irish Legal 100 by the *Irish Voice Magazine* in 2011-2015.

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Vegh focuses his practice on criminal defense. He has represented clients in criminal matters at every level of the justice system. Vegh was admitted to practice in Ohio and Federal Court in 1988. He formerly chaired the FBA Criminal Law Committee and the Certified Grievance Committee for the Cuyahoga County Bar Association. He also served on the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's Grievance Committee.

Bennett specializes in labor and employment law, litigation and counseling, including claims involving employment discrimination under federal and state law. She is an experienced trial lawyer and has obtained defense verdicts, arbitration awards, dispositive rulings and favorable settlements on behalf of employers. She serves on the boards of Saint Joseph Academy, Berea's Animal Rescue Fund, Inc. and The Gathering Place.

Calabrese focuses his practice on complex litigation, including product liability litigation, toxic tort litigation, class action defense, defense of securities fraud and antitrust cases, contract disputes and trade secret disputes. Prior to his private sector work, he was a law clerk to The Honorable Alice M. Batchelder, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and worked for three years in the Wisconsin legislature. He chairs the Committee on Rules for the Sixth Circuit Advisory Committee and is a life member of the Judicial Conference of the Sixth Circuit.

LaMonica is an experienced trial lawyer and focuses her practice on all types of litigation matters including personal injury, commercial, employment and worker's compensation litigation. In addition, she practices in the area of white-collar criminal defense. She is an active volunteer with the Legal Aid Society, helping its clients in matters ranging from landlord-tenant, to domestic relations, to general litigation. She is licensed to practice law in Ohio and Illinois, and is an active member of the Ohio, Cleveland Metropolitan, Chicago and Federal Bar Associations.

The Federal Bar Association – Northern District of Ohio is a professional organization for attorneys and members of the judiciary who practice in the federal system or have an interest in federal law. The FBA is committed to strengthening the federal legal system and administration of justice by serving the interests and needs of the federal practitioner, both public and private, the federal judiciary and the public they serve. The Northern District of Ohio Chapter has more than 400 members. More information is available at fba-ndohio.org.

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