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Alex Shumate is a partner with the international law firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey. He serves as the Managing Partner of the Columbus Office. Mr. Shumate also is the partner-in-charge of the firm's Legislative Counseling and Administrative Law Practice Group. Mr. Shumate is annually selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, recognizing his legal abilities among esteemed lawyers nationwide. He is also consistently designated an Ohio Super Lawyer by Cincinnati Magazine.

Born in 1950, Mr. Shumate received his B.A. (Political Science) from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1972, and his J.D. from the University of Akron in 1975.

Mr. Shumate joined Squire, Sanders in 1988 as a member of the firm's public law practice. Previously, he served as Chief Counsel and Deputy Chief of Staff to the Governor of the State of Ohio (1985-1988), and as Assistant Attorney General, State of Ohio (1975-1983).

Mr. Shumate is a member of the U.S. Supreme Court Bar, the Federal Bar (Northern and Southern Districts), and the Ohio Bar. He formerly served on the Council of Delegates for the Ohio State Bar Association and on the Board of Governors of the Columbus Bar Association. Mr. Shumate is a Fellow of the Ohio State Bar Foundation. He is a Life Member of the Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference.

Mr. Shumate currently serves on a number of corporate, civic and professional boards, including:

- Director, Cincinnati Bell Inc.
- Director, Nationwide Financial Services
- Director, Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company
- President, The Limited Brands Foundation Board
- Corporate Secretary, The Columbus Partnership
- Trustee, The Ohio State University
- Trustee, Wexner Center for the Arts
- Director, The John Glenn Institute
- Director, Columbus Downtown Development Corporation

He previously served as the Chair of the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce; Chair of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees; Chair of the Columbus Urban League Board; Chair, Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Research Institute Board; Chair, The Capital Club, and was a trustee of Ohio Wesleyan University and the Columbus Museum of Art.

Mr. Shumate has received a number of awards and honors from such organizations as the Columbus Bar Association, the United Negro College Fund, the NAACP, the Ohio General Assembly, Capital University School of Law, and the Ohio State University School of Law. In 2007, he received the Columbus Award from the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for outstanding business and civic leadership. In 1999, he received The Ohio State University Distinguished Service Award and in 1996, he received the Jewish National Fund Tree of Life Award for outstanding professional and humanitarian achievements. He received the 1995 Robert S. Crane Trusteeship Award from Leadership Columbus. In 1994, he received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of Akron School of Law. In 1992, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus by Ohio Wesleyan University.

Mr. Shumate resides in Gahanna, Ohio with his wife, Renee, and has two sons: John Alexander and Aaron Michael.