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The Honorable Michael B. Coleman  
Mayor, City of Columbus  
City Hall, 2nd Floor  
90 West Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Reappointment to the Downtown Commission

Dear Mayor Coleman:

I am writing today to express my strong interest in being reappointed to the Downtown Commission for a four-year term beginning in June, 2004. It is my distinct pleasure to have worked on the Downtown Commission since its inception and to have served as a member of the Task Force that assisted in rewriting the Downtown Zoning Code. As a founding Trustee and the initial president of the Discovery District Development Corporation, I continue to work closely with Downtown constituencies to facilitate improvement and growth in the Downtown.

I hope that you will favorably consider my request for reappointment to the Downtown Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kenneth R. Cookson", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kenneth R. Cookson

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Enclosure  
cc: Harrison W. Smith, Jr., Esq.  
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## **RESUME**

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## **PROFESSIONAL**

Corporate And Commercial Law, Bankruptcy, Banking, Real Estate

Member: Ohio Star Bar Association; Columbus Bar Association (Member: Judicial Campaign Advertising Committee and Alternate Member, Judicial Screening Committee); Seminar Presenter and Speaker for The Ohio State Bar Association CLE Institute.

## **COMMUNITY**

President (1994 - 1998), Founding Trustee, Discovery District Development Corporation  
Board of Friends of WOSU (1996 - 2002; 2003-current) President (1999 - 2001)  
Member, Franklin County Public Defender Commission  
Member, City of Columbus Downtown Commission  
Member, Board of Trustees of Columbus Landmarks Foundation (1996 - 2001)  
Member, Kelton House Advisory Committee

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Former Partner at Carlile Patchen & Murphy, LLP and White, Rankin Co., L.P.A.  
Former Associate at Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff and Gold, Rotatori, Messerman & Schwartz Co., LPA.  
Law Clerk to U.S. District Judge Don J. Young, Toledo.

## **PERSONAL**

Married to Eloise Gries Cookson (Attorney, Bank One Corporation)  
Son - John Cookson, College Student  
Athletic Club of Columbus  
Columbus Country Club

## **EDUCATION**

1977            University of Toledo College of Law, J.D.  
                  Law Review  
1974            Kalamazoo College (Michigan) B.A.