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Quinten L. Harris JD, MPA, is Deputy Director of Jobs and Economic Development for the City of Columbus' Department of Development. Harris joined the Department of Development in July 2014 after his tenure as Director of Strategic Project Management for the Regional Economic Development Initiative (REDI) Cincinnati (formerly the Cincinnati USA Partnership). He is charged with developing the department's policies, strategies and programs to enhance and stimulate the City's economy by assisting existing businesses in the retention and expansion of their operations, as well as marketing the attributes and services of the City in an effort to recruit new businesses and industry to locate their operations in the City of Columbus.

Quinten is concluding his term as Chair of the Workforce Investment Board | Butler • Clermont • Warren. The Workforce Investment Board | Butler • Clermont • Warren is a three county regional workforce organization made up of leaders from business, education, labor and government from Butler, Clermont and Warren Counties in Southwest Ohio, with the majority of its board members representing the private business sector. Harris has been a member of the Board since October 2011. Quinten was also an inaugural member of the Board of the Warren County Small Business Development Alliance; Warren County's first small business development center (SBDC).

Quinten earned his Bachelor's in English from the University of Dayton (OH) and a Masters in Public Affairs from the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA) and Juris Doctor degree from Indiana University – Bloomington Maurer School of Law.