## RESUME

# JACK W. DECKER

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#### LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Assistant Attorney General Ohio Attorney General's Office

150 East Gay Street, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215-3167

September 1989 to present

Accomplished and creative attorney with broad experience and outstanding record of success in employment, civil rights and general litigation at trial and appellate levels in diverse forums. Among first to be **certified as Specialist in Labor and Employment Law** by the Labor and Employment Law Specialty Board of the Ohio State Bar Association, effective January 1, 2002. Honorable Mention, "**Columbus' Top Lawyers** As Voted By Their Peers," *Business First*, March 25, 2005. Responsibilities have included:

**Principal Assistant Attorney General, Employment Law Section.** July 1996 to present. Functionally supervise less experienced Assistant Attorneys General in selected employment litigation in federal and state courts. Maintain own caseload and assist attorneys from other sections upon request. Organize and present continuing legal education seminars within and without the Office.

Coordinator, Collective Bargaining Unit, Employment Law Section, October 1991 to July 1996. Conducted or supervised all litigation for Ohio Office of Collective Bargaining affecting the Ohio Public Employee Collective Bargaining Act before State Employment Relations Board and in state and federal courts. Litigated employment-related and other matters, primarily in federal courts.

**Chief, Mental Health/Retardation Unit, Federal Litigation Section**, April 1991 to October 1991 when section was disbanded. Oversaw all litigation on behalf of Ohio Departments of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Youth Services, and supervised 14 part-time attorneys general conducting commitment hearings.

**General Federal Litigation Unit, Federal Litigation Section, January 1991 to April 1991.** 

**Habeas Corpus Unit, Federal Litigation Section, October 1989 to January 1991.** 

Representative published decisions (out of 53, and 66 additional unpublished but reported on Lexis): Feeney v. Shipley, 164 F.3d 311 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1999); Collyer v. Darling, 98 F.3d 211 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1996); Veney v. Hogan, 70 F.3d 917 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1995); Day v. Shalala, 23 F.3d 1052 (6<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1994); Ohio EPA v. United States Dep't of Labor, 121 F. Supp.2d 1155 (S.D. Ohio 2000); Klemencic v. Ohio State University, 10 F. Supp. 2d 911 (S.D. Ohio 1998); Nihiser v. Ohio EPA, 979 F. Supp. 1168 (S.D. Ohio 1997); Allied Telephone Co. v. Allied Telephone Sys. Co., 565 F. Supp. 211 (S.D. Ohio 1982); State ex rel. Ohio Dep't of Mental Health v. Nadel, 98 Ohio St.3d 405 (2003); State ex rel. Rose v. Ohio Dep't of Rehabilitation & Correction, 91 Ohio St.3d 453 (2001); Chubb v. Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, 81 Ohio St.3d 275 (1998); State ex rel. Maurer v. Sheward, 71 Ohio St.3d 513 (1994).

# **Department Counsel**

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Transportation Department 180 East Broad Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

May 1986 to September 1989

Numerous special projects, including drafting of Ohio Hazardous Materials Transportation Act and rules, establishment of first Ohio civil forfeiture system for motor carrier safety violations; labor relations and grant administration matters.

**Staff Counsel** 

Communications Workers of America/Council of Public Workers 50 West Broad Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

Ohio Civil Service Employees Ass'n 390 Worthington Road Westerville, Ohio 43082

January 1983 to August 1985

Represented public employee labor unions before State Employment Relations Board, in federal and state court actions involving variety of labor, constitutional, contract, and civil service law issues, and in contract arbitration. Represented union members in administrative hearings before State Personnel Board of Review.

**General Practitioner** 

November 1978 to May 1986

#### **LEGAL EDUCATION:**

Capital University Law School
Columbus, Ohio 43206

Juris Doctor
May 1978

#### HONORS AND ACTIVITIES:

**Executive Notes Editor, Capital University Law Review.** Final responsibility for editing and production of all student writing for the Review, 1977-78. **Staff,** 1976-77.

**Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity**, 1975-78. **Justice** (President), Hayes Chapter, 1976-77.

#### **UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:**

Marietta College B.A., Psychology

Marietta, Ohio 45750 May 1971

**Haverford College**September 1967 to
Haverford, Pennsylvania 19041
January 1969

**SECONDARY EDUCATION:** 

Marietta High School H.S. Diploma

Marietta, Ohio 45750 Valedictorian, Class of 1967

### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND HOBBIES:**

Federal, Ohio and Columbus Bar Associations

Victorian Village Commission – Commissioner

Victorian Village Society

"Advocate of the Year" – 2005-06

BrickStreet Arts Association – Treasurer

Civil War and Nineteenth Century American History

Amateur Home Renovation/Restoration

**REFERENCES** are available upon request