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1450 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43205

February 13, 2017

Hon. Andrew J. Ginther
City of Columbus
90 West Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Reappointment to Property Maintenance Appeals Board

Dear Mayor Ginther:

Please consider me for reappointment to the Columbus Property Maintenance Appeals Board for a third term. My resume is enclosed for your reference.

I was appointed to the Board by Mayor Coleman for an unexpired term in January, 2012, and was reappointed for a second term in May, 2013. Since then, I have had the pleasure of participating in many hearings. It has been nothing short of an honor to serve our city in this important and meaningful capacity and I look forward to a third term, where I can continue my service.

I believe you will find my training, experience and record of involvement thus far sufficient for a third term on the Board and look forward to answering any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,



Mark Kafantaris

Enclosure

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Education

Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio

Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, January, 2006

- GPA: 3.4/4.0; Order of the Curia; Dean's List (Four Semesters)
- CALI Book Awards: Con. Law I; Con. Litigation; Business Assns. I; Property II; Evidence

The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

Bachelor of Arts (Major: Political Science; Minor: Film Studies), June, 2003

- Dean's List: 2001-2003

Licensure

- The Supreme Court of the United States
- The Supreme Court of Ohio and all Courts and Agencies of the State
- The United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio
- The United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio
- The United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- The United States Tax Court

Legal Experience

Kafantaris Law Offices, Columbus, Ohio

Attorney at Law, May, 2006 to Present

- General practice focusing on criminal defense, civil litigation, consumer bankruptcy, and social security disability claims

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio – Judge Algenon L. Marbley

Judicial Extern, Fall Term, 2005

- Drafted opinions, orders, and memoranda for the Court

Columbus City Prosecutor's Office

Intern Prosecutor, May, 2005 to May, 2006

- Prosecuted misdemeanor traffic offenses

Supreme Court of Ohio – Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton

Judicial Extern, Spring Term, 2005

- Prepared recommendations on pending jurisdictional memoranda and merit briefs

Kafantaris Law Offices, Warren, Ohio

Law Clerk, Summers 2001, 2002 & 2004

- Performed legal research, drafted motions, and memoranda

Law Offices of Irene K. Makridis & Raymond J. Masek, Warren, Ohio

Legal Assistant, Summers 1999 & 2000

- Transcribed pleadings, briefs, interviews, and client correspondence

Client & Peer Recognition

- Martindale-Hubbell AV Rated "Preeminent"
- Ohio Super Lawyers – Ohio Rising Stars: 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016
- Avvo – Rated "Superb" (10/10): 2011-2016

Professional Associations

- City of Columbus Property Maintenance Appeals Board (Vice-Chair)
- Better Lawyer Magazine (Member, Editorial Board)
- Columbus Bar Association (Member, Fee Arbitration Committee)
- Omicron Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity Board of Control (Legal Advisor)
- Credit Education Coalition (Member)

Published Articles

- *Getting Into the Cloud*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Fall, 2013, at 18.
- *To Be Early Is To Be On Time*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Fall, 2011, at 32.
- *The Building Blocks of Credibility*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Spring, 2011, at 27-28.
- *A Primer on E-Mail Etiquette*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Spring, 2011, at 31.
- *The Limits of Advocacy*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Fall, 2010, at 23.
- *Dealing with Difficult Clients*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Spring, 2010 at 26.
- *Young Lawyers Should Decompress with Non-Legal Community Work*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Fall, 2009, at 32.
- *New Lawyers Take on a Difficult Case*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Spring, 2009, at 28.
- *The Lighter Side of Law*, COLUMBUS BAR LAWYERS QUARTERLY, Spring, 2008, at 29.

Presentations

- *Manage Your Practice-Don't Let Your Practice Manage You*, 2013 Bankruptcy Law Institute, Columbus Bar Association

References

- Athena Inembolidis, Attorney at Law – Athena Legal
Ph. (614) 222-0055
- Mark R. Brown, Professor of Law – Capital University Law School
Ph. (614) 236-6590
- Bill R. Hedrick, Chief of Staff – Columbus City Attorney's Office
 - Ph. (614) 645-8874