

Ritchey Hollenbaugh of Carlile Patchen & Murphy Appointed to Local Boards July 18, 2008

H. Ritchey Hollenbaugh, a partner at the law firm Carlile Patchen & Murphy LLP, has been elected vice president of the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation Board and has been appointed by the Franklin County Commissioners to the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Board of Directors.

“I am always excited about opportunities to serve the community, and I hope to compliment the current talent on both of these worthwhile, community-focused boards,” said Hollenbaugh.

The Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation provides legal assistance to the poor in the critical areas of safety, shelter and medical care. Those most affected by a lack of legal services include domestic violence victims, families forced into homelessness, children caught in custody battles and senior citizens whose medical benefits may be mistakenly terminated. OLAF's board and staff respond to these needs in various ways, including development of free programs.

The Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation is responsible for creating policy on a variety of workforce issues, recommending certification of training program providers and overseeing the establishment of the JobSight office centers for workforce development. The goal of the Corporation is to ensure that central Ohio's labor supply is prepared to meet the needs of local employers now and in the future.

Hollenbaugh is the head of the Litigation Group at Carlile Patchen & Murphy. He received his undergraduate degree from Kent State University in 1969 and his law degree from Capital University in 1973. He is a past President of the Ohio State Bar Association and past President of the Columbus Bar Association. His areas of practice include business litigation, white collar criminal litigation and employment law.

The law firm of Carlile Patchen & Murphy has for over 40 years concentrated on responsively serving the legal and business needs of mid-sized Central Ohio businesses and their owners and executives. Beyond the traditional advice on choice of the appropriate business entity and structure of ownership interests, the firm lends its extensive experience in counseling on financing, tax planning and operations; and ultimately to sale or transfer of the business to a strategic buyer, the employees or succeeding generations. Employment matters, and litigation if all else fails, are also areas where the firm's attorneys frequently offer skilled advice and timely assistance.