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**KASICH INVITES APPLICANTS FOR UPCOMING SUPREME COURT VACANCY**

COLUMBUS – Today Gov. John R. Kasich announced that from Oct. 15 to Nov. 16 he will accept applications from attorneys who would like to be considered for appointment to the Supreme Court of Ohio to replace Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton. Justice Stratton announced on May 22 that she would retire at the end of the year before her term expires in 2014. The application and additional information will be available at <http://governor.ohio.gov/supremecourt> starting at 9 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 15. Kasich has said he would like to announce an appointment by the end of the year, but will take whatever time is needed to carefully evaluate candidates and make the right decision.

Additionally, Kasich announced that he and his staff will evaluate applicants with input from several distinguished legal professionals from across the state:

**Jonathan Adler** of Cleveland (Cuyahoga Co.) is the inaugural Johan Verheij Memorial Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Business Law & Regulation at the Case Western Reserve University School of Law. He has been a professor at the law school since 2001. He is a past-recipient of the Paul M. Bator Award, given annually by the Federalist Society for Law and Policy Studies for excellence in teaching, scholarship and commitment to students. Professor Adler received his law degree from George Mason University School of Law.

**Charles Brown** of Alliance (Stark Co.) recently announced his retirement from the Stark County Court of Common Pleas, where he served as a judge for 11 years. Previously he was the senior partner at Brown, Lundgren & Goldthorpe. Judge Brown has 45 years of service to the legal profession and received his law degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

**Karen Gallagher** of Bryan (Williams Co.) is a partner at Gallagher & Yosick where she specializes in a number of legal matters including domestic relations and family Law. She is a past-president of the Williams County Bar Association and currently chairs the Association's Domestic Relations Committee. Gallagher received her law degree from the University of Toledo College of Law.

**Clarence Mingo** of Columbus (Franklin Co.) is the Franklin County Auditor. He previously worked in private practice where he specialized in domestic and juvenile law, frequently serving as guardian ad litem on behalf of children who had been abused or neglected. Auditor Mingo received his law degree from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law.

**Douglas Neary** of Cleveland (Cuyahoga Co.) has been a partner at Calfee, Halter & Griswold since 1993, where he specializes in corporate governance, securities law compliance and commercial finance. He serves on several corporate and foundation boards in the Greater Cleveland area and received his law degree from the Boston University School of Law.

**Marshal Pitchford** of Akron (Summit Co.) is a partner at Roetzel & Andress. Pitchford was named a leading expert in transportation law by *Best Lawyers in America* and is chairman of the board of Ohio Right to Life. He is a graduate of the University of Akron School of Law.

**Alex Triantafilou** of Cincinnati (Hamilton Co.) is a member of the Litigation Department and is Of Counsel at Dinsmore & Shohl. He is chairman of the Hamilton County Republican Party and previously served as a judge in the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas and the Hamilton County Municipal Court. Triantafilou received his law degree from the Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law.

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