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## **GREATER CLEVELAND PARTNERSHIP SELECTS TUCKER ELLIS FOR "2015 COMMISSION 50"**

**Tucker Ellis LLP** is proud to announce that the firm has been selected for the Greater Cleveland Partnership's "2015 Commission 50." Members of the Commission 50 are recognized annually for progress in creating, enhancing, and sustaining their diversity and inclusion strategies.

"We work to improve our diversity and inclusion strategies every day—not just in Cleveland, but across all our Hallways," said <u>Sanford Watson</u>, chair of the Tucker Ellis Diversity & Inclusion Committee and recipient of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's 2014 Inclusion Innovation Award. "While we still have a lot to do, our membership in Commission 50 is evidence that our continued efforts toward building a more inclusive and diverse culture are working."

"It's great that our programs and efforts to date have made an impact, and we look forward to seeing how our next creative ideas work out," said <u>Joe Morford</u>, Tucker Ellis Managing Partner. "The best part is that everyone at Tucker Ellis cares about this. Not just some of us, but all of us. To me, that's why we will keep making strides on diversity and inclusion – because it matters to everyone that we succeed in this regard."

Commission 50 recognition is based on responses to the Greater Cleveland Partnership's annual *Employers Survey on Diversity*<sup>TM</sup>. Scores are tabulated based on the survey's four metrics: board diversity; senior management diversity; workforce diversity; and supplier diversity. Organizations are ranked by each of the four metrics and rankings are combined to produce a final score. The 50 organizations with the highest combined scores receive this distinguished designation.

## About the Greater Cleveland Partnership's Commission on Economic Inclusion

The Commission on Economic Inclusion, a program of the Greater Cleveland Partnership, is focused on creating positive, measurable outcomes leading to increases in board, senior management, workforce, and supplier diversity among the more than 100 Northeast Ohio employers who are members of the Commission. The Commission focuses on increasing the total revenue, value, size, and number of employees for minority-owned businesses throughout the state of Ohio. For more information, please visit gcpartnership.com.

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