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## **David E. Nash Honored with Inaugural Green Sustainability Award** *Twenty-nine Firms/Offices Recognized with Green Certifications*

CLEVELAND – October 10, 2016 – The Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (CMBA) is proud to announce that its Green initiative Committee awarded its inaugural Green Sustainability Award to **David E. Nash** of McMahon DeGulis LLP at the 8th annual David B. Webster Greener Way to Work Luncheon September 30 at the CMBA Conference Center.

The Green Sustainability Award recognizes an individual who:

- demonstrates leadership by promoting efficient energy use and other environmentally responsible practices;
- used a unique approach to green practices; and
- implemented a green technique that is adaptable or adoptable by others.

“David has been a recognized and well-respected leader in sustainability throughout the community for years and we are excited to show a token of our appreciation for his dedication through this award,” said Katy M. Franz, chair CMBA’s Green Initiative Committee. “Our committee is focused on promoting efficient energy use and other environmentally responsible practices in the legal profession and this award provides us a fresh opportunity to recognize someone in our legal community who is leading by example. David embodies this ideal and continues to inspire those in our profession and beyond to further reduce our impact on the environment.”

Dave is past chair of the CMBA’s Environmental Law Section and was recognized as a champion of sustainability in Northeast Ohio by Crain’s Cleveland Business in 2009. He is active in a number of community economic revitalization projects, including co-convenor of the Corporate Sustainability Network, serving on Cleveland Mayor Jackson’s SC 2019 Stewardship Council, and participating in various committees and boards at the Monte Ahuja College of Business at Cleveland State University, Kent State University and Baldwin-Wallace University. He also is a frequent speaker and panelist locally and beyond on a variety of environmental law topics and issues of sustainability.

A noon lunch program also recognized the 29 law firms and offices that are Green or Green+ Certified for 2016-2018. These firms are among the total 38 Green and 5 Green+ Certified offices of the CMBA.

The CMBA offers two levels of Green Certification (Green and Green+), each of which is a two-year certification. Each certification level recognizes a firm or office that has made the commitment to sustainability through paper reduction, energy reduction, recycling programs, and by creating an internal committee to administer and implement a green program. The Green+ Certification recognized a firm/office that has gone above and beyond the base criteria and incorporated an increased commitment for paper reduction or documented significant compliance with energy reduction.

Those certified for 2016-2018 at the **Green+ level** are Calfee, Halter & Griswold LLP; Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP; and Tucker Ellis LLP. Certified for 2016-18 as a **Green firm/office** are: Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP; Brouse McDowell; Cady Reporting Services, Inc.; City of Cleveland Department of Law; Cleveland Law Library Association; Cohen Rosenthal & Kramer LLP; Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court; Cuyahoga County Prosecutor’s Office; Douglass & Associates Co., LPA; Frantz Ward LLP; Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP; Icove Legal Group, Ltd.; John V. Heutsche Co., LPA; Kevin Cronin, Attorney at Law; Licata Law Group; McMahon DeGulis LLP; Meyers, Roman, Friedberg & Lewis; Muskovitz & Lemmerbrock, LLC; Porter Wright Morris & Arthur; Roetzel & Andress, LPA; Seeley, Savidge, Ebert & Gourash Co., LPA; Thacker Robinson Zinz LPA; Thompson Hine LLP; Veritext Legal Solutions; Walter | Haverfield LLP; and Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.

For a complete list of firms and offices, more on the Green Initiative Committee, its certifications or annual luncheon, visit [www.CleMetroBar.org/Green](http://www.CleMetroBar.org/Green).

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