

# Roetzel Welcomes E. Mark Young as Partner in Cleveland Office

✘ **Roetzel & Andress LPA** announced that E. Mark Young has joined the firm's Cleveland office and Business & Commercial Litigation practice as a partner. Young has experience working with local legal community and civic organizations.

The firm said Young focuses his practice on complex civil litigation matters in federal and state courts. He represents companies ranging from small, local businesses to international companies and financial institutions, serving as "first chair" in multiple matters before the courts. He has also represented clients in bankruptcy cases and in administrative proceedings before a number of government agencies.

Young returns to Roetzel after having worked as an associate at the firm from February 2005 through July 2008.

"We are thrilled to welcome Mark to Roetzel and we look forward to his contributions and added leadership among our firm's highly respected group of business litigators and corporate lawyers," Roetzel Chairman Robert E. Blackham said. "Mark's deep experience in a wide range of industries and matters will be a great asset to our team."

Douglas E. Spiker, partner-in-charge of Roetzel's Cleveland office, said, "Mark has been a well-respected litigator and civic-minded counselor in the Cleveland business community for many years. His skills and business acumen enhance the breadth and depth of our services to our corporate and financial clients."

Young said, "I am excited to rejoin my colleagues at Roetzel, which is well-known in Cleveland and nationally for its experienced litigation team and successes in handling high-profile cases across the full spectrum of industries. I also look forward to continuing my focus on community work that allows me to bring my business and legal knowledge to bear on behalf of important civic efforts."

Most recently, Young was a partner with Meyers, Roman, Friedberg & Lewis in Cleveland. Previously, he also was a partner at Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff, also in Cleveland. In addition, Young has served as outside general counsel to multiple companies in diverse industries, including mobile technology, construction supply manufacturing, low- and moderate-income residential housing development, alcohol manufacturing and distribution, medical billing and home health care, as well as for religious institutions and a number of minority- and female-owned businesses.

Young also is an adjunct professor at The Cleveland Marshall College of Law and a former trustee of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation.

Outside his law practice, Young has been engaged in local civic and community initiatives, the firm said. He currently serves on the executive committee as the Parliamentarian and on the board for the Consortium of African American Organizations and is a member of the Executive Committee and the board for Gilmour Academy High School in Gates Mills, Ohio. In addition, he has served in various board or leadership roles with the Cleveland Academy of Scholarship Technology and Leadership Enterprise, the Wake Forest University Alumni Association and Local Alumni Chapter, and the Gilmour Academy High School Alumni Association.

Young received his J.D. from the University of Toledo College of Law. He also holds a Master of Arts from Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University

and a Bachelor of Arts from Wake Forest University.