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Jodie Taylor Leads Industrial Commission of Ohio As New Chairperson

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Industrial Commission of Ohio (IC) announced today that Governor John Kasich appointed Commissioner Jodie Taylor as the new Industrial Commission chairperson, effective January 14, 2011.

“It is a tremendous honor to be selected as the chairperson for the Industrial Commission of Ohio,” Taylor said. “I am looking forward to streamlining services and eliminating bureaucracy while continuing to provide a quality service to the citizens of Ohio.”

Taylor was appointed as the employer member of the Commission in July 2009.

“As the new chairperson, one of my main focuses will be providing high-quality, productive and efficient hearings for employers and injured workers,” Taylor said. “If a change means an improvement in our hearing process, then those changes will be implemented swiftly and resourcefully.”

From 1997 to 2000, Jodie served as an assistant to an IC Commissioner. In this role, she performed legal and legislative research, assisted during hearings, and gained an extensive understanding of the agency.

After leaving the IC, Jodie served as an attorney for two Columbus law firms, where she represented state-fund and self-insured employers at all levels of IC hearings and in court actions throughout Ohio. She is also a frequent lecturer on workers’ compensation issues with extensive legal knowledge in both the private and public sectors.

Jodie earned her bachelor’s degree in diplomacy and foreign affairs from Miami University in 1991. While at Miami, Jodie studied overseas in Luxembourg. In 1995, she received her law degree from the University of Akron School of Law. She is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association and Columbus Bar Association. She is also an Ohio State Bar Association board-certified specialist in workers’ compensation. She began her legal career as an attorney with an Akron law firm, where she represented injured workers.

Jodie lives in Columbus with her husband, Michael. In October 2009, they welcomed twins, a boy and a girl, Evan and Elizabeth.

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