

PRESS RELEASE

Contact:

Lindsay Sharp, Marketing Manager

Phone: 216.274.2390

Email: lasharp@hahnlaw.com

Diaz Named Certified Specialist in Appellate Law

January 1, 2009 — Cleveland, OH – Derek E. Diaz, a Partner in the Cleveland office of Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP, was recently named a Certified Specialist in Appellate Law by the Ohio State Bar Association. This was announced by Lawrence E. Oscar, Managing Partner and CEO of the Firm. Mr. Diaz is one of only 15 attorneys in the state with this designation.

“We are extremely proud to have Derek’s expertise as a board-certified attorney as an added resource for our clients,” said Oscar.

Mr. Diaz focuses his practice in the Litigation area. In addition to handling appeals, Mr. Diaz defends large companies in consumer class actions around the country. Prior to joining the Firm, he served as a judge advocate in the U.S. Marine Corps and a law clerk for the Honorable Arthur I. Harris of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Mr. Diaz earned his J.D. in 1998 from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and his B.A., *magna cum laude*, from John Carroll University in 1995. He and his family reside in Avon.

Established in 1920, Hahn Loeser + Parks LLP is a full-service law firm of more than 120 attorneys with offices in Cleveland, Columbus, and Akron, Ohio; and Naples and Fort Myers, Florida. More information on the Firm can be found at www.hahnlaw.com.