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### Hrivnak, Klym, Port and Schweikert Join the Partnership at Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP

February 6, 2013 — Cleveland, OH — Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP is pleased to announce that four of the firm's attorneys have been promoted to the firm's partnership. **Bret A. Hrivnak, Mark R. Klym, Robert B. Port** and **James D. Schweikert** all became partners of the firm, effective January 1, 2013.

Bret A. Hrivnak, a partner in the firm's Akron office, counsels his clients on the protection of U.S. and international intellectual property (IP), including patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and domain names. Mr. Hrivnak manages worldwide IP portfolios and develops global strategies for IP protection. When necessary, he prosecutes and defends disputes relating to intellectual property and arising under state, federal, and international laws, including proceedings before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, and the World Intellectual Property Organization. Mr. Hrivnak's representation includes preparing and reviewing agreements, including licenses, assignments, joint ventures and development agreements, supply agreements, mergers/acquisitions, and other intellectual property transactions. Mr. Hrivnak also addresses Antitrust issues that may arise in such transactions or otherwise during the course of his clients' business activities. He is listed in the 2010 edition of "Ohio Rising Stars," by *Ohio Super Lawyers*, and is a member of the Class of 2010 for Akron Torchbearers. Mr. Hrivnak earned his J.D. from the University of Akron School of Law in 2004, his M.S. in mechanical engineering from the University of Akron in 2001, and a B.S. in mechanical engineering from the University of Akron in 1994.

Mark R. Klym, a partner in the firm's Naples office, focuses his practice in estate planning. Mr. Klym's experience includes development of succession plans, drafting limited liability companies and start-ups, administration of trusts and guardianships and administration of estates. He also has a wealth of experience in the preparation and implementation of all segments of estate plans, including durable powers of attorney, health care directives, revocable trusts, irrevocable life insurance trusts, beneficiary designation planning and utilization of Section 529 plans. Mr. Klym was recently selected to the 2013 class of Leadership Collier, a program designed to educate local business leaders on societal and economic challenges facing their community, giving them the tools they need to become engaged, address area challenges and work toward solutions in the public interest. Mr. Klym earned his J.D. from Ohio Northern University College of Law in 1995, and his B.A. from the University of Vermont in 1992.

Robert B. Port, a partner in the firm's Cleveland office, has significant experience in business tort litigation, including breach of contract, tortious interference with contractual relations, and breach of fiduciary duty. He represents clients nationally in class action lawsuits. Mr. Port is included in the 2011 list of "Ohio Rising Stars" by *Ohio Super Lawyers*. He earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from the Case Western Reserve University School of Law in 2004, an M.S. in mechanical engineering from The Catholic University of America in 1994, and a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Drexel University in 1989.

James D. Schweikert, a partner in the firm's Akron office, focuses his practice in intellectual property law. Mr. Schweikert's intellectual property law experience includes counseling related to the protection of intellectual property through patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. His experience includes performing U.S. and international clearance searches for patents and trademarks, rendering of legal opinions relating to patentability and trademark registrability and infringement, procurement of patents and trademark registrations worldwide, including preparation



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and prosecution of patent and trademark applications. Mr. Schweikert also has experience in intellectual property litigation support including drafting legal briefs and related motions. Additionally, Mr. Schweikert has prosecuted domain name disputes pursuant to the Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP) of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) in front of the National Arbitrators Forum (NAF). Mr. Schweikert holds a B.A. in physics from the University of Toledo in 2006, a J.D. (with Intellectual Property Certificate) from the University of Toledo College of Law in 2002, a B.A. from the University of Toledo in 1998, and an A.A. from Ohio University in 1997.

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