

KMK Attorney Donald P. Klekamp Recipient of Lifetime Achievement in Law Award

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Donald P. Klekamp will receive the Lifetime Achievement in Law Award from the Cincinnati Bar Foundation on October 17. To receive the award, an honoree must demonstrate the highest principles and traditions of the legal profession through his or her distinguished career.

"Don was very influential in helping us develop Cintas into what it is today. Don's wisdom, experience and unquestionable integrity were great influences on me personally and in the culture of our company," wrote Richard T. Farmer, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Cintas.

Mr. Klekamp is a Senior Partner with KMK. His practice is concentrated in general corporate, mergers and acquisitions, succession planning, real estate and finance areas. He attended Xavier University where he received an Honors Bachelor of Arts Degree, *Cum Laude*, and was a 1957 graduate of the University of Cincinnati Law School.

"As Don's partner for in excess of 50 years, I have grown to admire Don as a superior lawyer who always has in mind the good of the client. Don has a long list of loyal clients who recognize this quality," said John L. Muething, founder and senior partner at KMK.

Don Gardner, another partner at KMK who has worked with Mr. Klekamp for over 46 years said, "Don has a rare sense of loyalty and fidelity to the clients he represents, both individual clients and corporate clients. He serves all of his clients with a sense of zeal, fairness and passion. I admire so many character traits that Don has, such as honesty, humility and high moral principles."

Mr. Klekamp has made a real and direct impact on the community throughout his career in a number of areas, including serving on the Dean's Board of Visitors of the University of Cincinnati Law School, as Mayor of Indian Hill and on the Boards of a number of charitable organizations. He currently serves as First Vice President of the Legal Aid Society and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Xavier University. He established the Donald P. Klekamp Professorship of Law at the University of Cincinnati College of Law and was also instrumental in providing funding for the acquisition and remodeling of the Donald P. Klekamp Community Law Center, the location of the Legal Aid Society.

Mr. Klekamp is also the recipient of the following awards: Distinguished Alumnus Award of the University of Cincinnati Law School (1993); Trustee's Award of the Cincinnati Bar Association (2001); Distinguished Alumnus Award of Xavier University (2002); and the St. Francis Award from the Friars Club (2002). He has been included annually in the publication *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Mr. Klekamp and his wife, Marianne, have five children: Amy, Molly, Rebecca, Jody and Peter.

KMK, a full-service Cincinnati law firm, was founded in 1954. We have approximately 110 lawyers and a support staff of more than 150 employees. For more than 50 years, we have contributed to the success of many businesses from Fortune 500 corporations and small start-up companies to non-profit organizations and government entities. Our mission is to provide high quality legal counsel to clients by meeting their identified needs and developing appropriate solutions. Our vision is to excel as a law firm by recruiting and retaining the highest quality attorneys and personnel with diverse social, ethnic and political backgrounds.