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**KASICH ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT TO THE MAHONING COUNTY  
PROBATE COURT**

COLUMBUS – Today Governor John R. Kasich announced the appointment of Robert N. Rusu, Jr. of Canfield (Mahoning Co.) to serve as a judge on the Mahoning County Probate Court. Rusu will assume office on July 8, 2014, and must run in November 2014 to retain the seat for the full term commencing February 9, 2015. Rusu is replacing Judge Mark Belinky, who resigned.

Rusu received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Youngstown State University in 1989, and received his juris doctorate from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in 1993. Rusu is the co-owner and managing partner of Lane & Rusu Co. L.P.A., magistrate at the Canfield Mayors Court, and serves as corporate legal counsel for Lane Funeral Home, Inc./ Lane Lifetrans, Inc.

Rusu is Chair of the Court Consolidation Committee of the Mahoning County Bar Association, his firm has been recognized by the Mahoning County Bar Association as 2012 Law Firm of the Year, and he has co-authored *Smart Planning for Life & Death*. Rusu serves on a variety of boards in Canfield and Mahoning County.

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