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## Northern District of Ohio Chapter

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### **Federal Bar Association Chapter Wins National Recognition**

CLEVELAND, OHIO – The Northern District of Ohio Chapter of the Federal Bar Association is being recognized with two national awards: the “2011 Chapter Activity Presidential Excellence Award,” the top honor given by the national association to local chapters; and the “2011 Meritorious Newsletter Award.” Both awards will be presented at the Federal Bar Association’s Annual Meeting on Saturday, Sept. 10, in Chicago.

The Presidential Excellence Award is based on a number of criteria including attraction and retention of members, quality of and participation in chapter events, involvement of federal judges in chapter activities, activities for young lawyers, and opportunities for continuing legal education. The Chapter enjoys participation by several federal judges, lawyers in private practice, staff from the U.S. Attorney’s Office, and Federal Public Defender Dennis G. Terez, who serves as the chapter’s treasurer.

“Our chapter is grateful and honored to be identified as one of the few recipients of the Presidential Excellence Award from the FBA,” said Kip T. Bollin, chapter president and a partner at Thompson Hine LLP. “The awards are testimony to the work of our board, our judges, and those members who have contributed to make our chapter one of the fastest-growing and most dynamic FBA chapters in the country. We are very proud of this recognition.”

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The Chapter’s newsletter “Inter Alia” is distributed throughout the year to more than 10,000 lawyers admitted to practice in the federal courts of the Northern District of Ohio.

Bollin extended special thanks to former Chapter President James Satola, who compiled the award entries, and to Stephen Jett, who chairs the Chapter’s newsletter committee.

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