

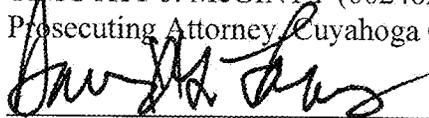
NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Now comes Defendant-Appellant State of Ohio and hereby gives Notice of Appeal to the Supreme Court of Ohio from the judgment of the Cuyahoga County Court of Appeals, Eighth Appellate Judicial District entered in Independence v. Office of the Cuyahoga County Executive, Cuyahoga App. No. 97167, 2013-Ohio-1336 on April 4, 2013.

For reasons set forth in Cuyahoga County's Memorandum in Support of Jurisdiction, this case raises questions of great public concern and general interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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