

Former Ohio political leader joins Toledo law firm

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Former Ohio Senate President Larry Obhof has joined the law firm of Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick in Toledo as of Monday.

Mr. Obhof, 43, a conservative Republican from Medina, left the Senate after nearly a decade at the end of last year because of term limits. He spent his last four years as the chamber's president at a time when Republicans held a record super-majority.

He had continued to practice law while in the Senate, last working with Columbus-based Squire Patton Boggs. At Shumaker, he joins Mark Wagoner, a former Senate colleague and most recently chairman of the Lucas County Republican Party.

"I think Toledo is doing great as Site Selection [magazine] showed," Mr. Obhof said. "There's a lot of opportunity here. The economy is growing, and so is northwest Ohio. Mark Wagoner is a close friend of mine. I've followed his career.

"I see an opportunity to build a strong litigation practice, particularly an appellate practice," he said. "There's real opportunity for growth here with a firm that works on high-profile matters."

Mr. Obhof holds a bachelor's degree from Ohio State University and a law degree from Yale University. He had been involved with Florida's challenge to the federal Affordable Care Act as part of the multi-state challenge that led to the U.S. Supreme Court's general upholding of the law.

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