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## **State hires new work-force chief**

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The Ohio Department of Development has hired a Columbus attorney as its new training division leader, a spot vacant since Director Lisa Patt-McDaniel stepped into the top spot this year.

The Development Department said Dan Reynolds of Columbus-based Bricker & Eckler LLP has been hired as director of its Workforce and Talent Division. Reynolds, who worked on development and commercial real estate projects for the firm, also has served as a vice president for the nonprofit development organizations Columbus Downtown Development Corp. and Capitol South Community Urban Redevelopment Corp.

Patt-McDaniel, who led the division until being promoted as the department's chief in September, said in a release that Reynolds' "background and commitment will help strengthen and enhance Ohio's competitiveness with innovative work-force programs designed to develop, attract and retain talent throughout the state."

Reynolds has a law degree from the New York University School of Law, master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a bachelor's from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.