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Richard Harrison, founder, Porter Wright Morris & Arthur

MORE VENERABLE
CENTRAL OHIO BUSINESSES

First Community Bank	1903
Anchor Hocking Co.	1905
Palmer Donavin Manufacturing Co.	1907
Park National Bank	1908
Vorys Sater Seymour & Pease LP	1909
K.A. Menendian Rug Gallery	1910
Heartland Bank	1911
George J. Igel & Co. Inc.	1911
W.W. Williams Co.	1912
Savings Bank	1912
Commercial One Realtors	1912
Kohr Royer Griffith Inc.	1914
Reitter Stucco & Supply Co. Inc.	1915
Associated Insurance Agencies Inc.	1923
Favret Co.	1924
Dawson Insurance Inc./ Group Benefits Agency	1924

NOTES

Source: Company representatives, Marysville Public Library, *Columbus Business First* research
INA-information not available

FOOTNOTES

1. 2011 employee numbers

Oldest Central Ohio businesses
Ranked by year founded

RANK	ADDRESS	YEAR FOUNDED/ CITY WHERE FOUNDED	FOUNDER/ NAME OF ORIGINAL COMPANY	DESCRIPTION OF ORIGINAL BUSINESS	CURRENT EMPLOYEES: CENTRAL OHIO/ COMPANYWIDE	GENERAL BUSINESS DESCRIPTION	TOP LOCAL EXECUTIVE
1	Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP 41 S. High St., Suite 2900, Columbus 43215 614-227-2000 • porterwright.com	1846/ London	Richard Harrison/ Rogers & Harrison	Legal services	278/ 417	Regional law firm with four Ohio and two out-of-state offices	Robert Trafford, managing partner
2	Schoedinger Funeral & Cremation Services 229 E. State St., Columbus 43215 614-224-6105 • schoedinger.com	1855/ Columbus	Philip Schoedinger/ Philip Schoedinger Undertaker	Undertaker, casket maker	225/ 225	Funeral and cremation services	David Schoedinger, chairman
2	Palmer Miller Nelson Insurance Agency Inc. 3215 N. High St., Columbus 43202 614-261-6300 • pmnins.com	1855/ Columbus	R. L. Seeley/ Seeley Agency	Insurance agency	16/ 16	Independent insurance agency	Steven Miller, president
4	Huntington Bancshares Inc. 41 S. High St., Columbus 43287 614-480-8300 • huntington.com	1866/ Columbus	P.W. Huntington/ Huntington National Bank	Bank	INA/ 11,245	Holding company for Huntington National Bank, with 734 offices	Stephen Steinour, chairman, president and CEO
5	Richwood Banking Co. 28 N. Franklin St., Richwood 43344 740-943-2317 • richwoodbank.com	1867/ Richwood	G.B. Hamilton/ Bank of Richwood	Bank	91/ 91	Community bank with six branches in four Ohio counties	Chad Hoffman, president
6	Scotts Miracle-Gro Co. 14111 Scottslawn Road, Marysville 43041 937-644-0011 • scottsmiraclegro.com	1868/ Marysville	Orlando McLean Scott/ O.M. Scott hardware store	Distributor of horse-drawn farm equipment	1,100/ 8,000 ¹	Lawn, garden and outdoor living products and services	James Hagedorn, chairman and CEO
7	Greif Inc. 425 Winter Road, Delaware 43015 740-549-6000 • greif.com	1877/ Cleveland	Mr. Vanderwyst and Mr. Greif/ Vanderwyst & Greif	Cooperage	240/ 15,000	Global manufacturer of industrial packaging products and services	David Fischer, president and CEO
8	Borchers Carpet Cleaning 762 S. Front St., Columbus 43206 614-444-1191 • borchers1879.com	1879/ Columbus	Harold Borchers/ Borchers Carpet Cleaning	Rug cleaning	5/ 5	Cleaning of carpet, upholstery, tile/ grout, area rugs	Brent, Chad and John Martin, co-owners
9	E.E. Ward Moving & Storage Co. LLC 1975 Galaxie St., Columbus 43207 614-298-8414 • eeward.com	1881/ Columbus	William Ward/ Ward Transfer Line	Moving and storage	50/ 50	Commercial, office, employee, household relocations, storage	Brian Brooks, Otto Beatty III, co-owners
10	Thurn's Specialty Meats Inc. 530 Greenlawn Ave., Columbus 43223 614-443-1448 • thurnsmeats.com	1886/ Columbus	Alois Thurn/ A. Thurn's	Meats and processed items	4/ 4	Specialty meat processing, retail sales	Albert Thurn, owner
10	Schmidt's 240 E. Kossuth St., Columbus 43206 614-444-6808 • schmidthaus.com	1886/ Columbus	J. Fred Schmidt/ J. Fred Schmidt Meat Packing Co.	Meat processing and packing	80/ 80	Restaurant, banquets and catering, retail grocery sales	Geoffrey Schmidt, president
10	Mount Carmel Health System 6001 E. Broad St., Columbus 43213 614-234-6000 • mountcarmelhealth.com	1886/ Columbus	Drs. Hawkes and Hamilton/Hawkes Hospital of Mount Carmel	Hospital for care of sick and underserved	7,620/ 9,037	Inpatient and outpatient health care services	Claus Von Zychlin, president and CEO
13	Fidelity Federal Savings & Loan Association 60 N. Sandusky St., Delaware 43015 740-363-1284 • fidfedsl.com	1887/ Delaware	C.O. Little/ Fidelity Building & Loan Co.	Home mortgages	20/ 20	Community bank	Gregory Roy, president and CEO
14	Sutphen Corp. 6450 Eiterman Road, Dublin 43017 614-889-1005 • sutphen.com	1890/ Columbus	C.H. Sutphen/ Sutphen	Firefighting equipment supplier	380/ 420	Manufacturer and refurbisher of firefighting apparatus	Drew Sutphen, president
14	Martin Carpet Cleaning Co. 795 S. Wall St., Columbus 43206 614-443-4655 • martincarpetcleaning.com	1890/ Columbus	Frederic and Mary Martin/ Martin Carpet Cleaning	Rug cleaning, rug repair, feather cleaning	30/ 30	Cleaning of carpet, furniture, tile floors, rug cleaning/repair	John Martin, co-owner
16	Loth Inc. 855 Grandview Ave, Columbus 43215 614-487-4000 • lothinc.com	1891/ Cincinnati	Celia Loth/ Loth	Office furniture	160/ 160	Design/implement integrated workspace solutions	J.B. Buse Jr., chairman and CEO
17	OhioHealth Corp. 180 E. Broad St., Columbus 43215 614-544-4455 • ohiohealth.com	1892/ Columbus	Protestant Hospital Association/ Protestant Hospital	Not-for-profit, faith-based hospital	16,000/ 16,000	Not-for-profit health care organization covering 40 counties	David Blom, president and CEO
17	Nationwide Children's Hospital 700 Children's Dr., Columbus 43205 614-722-2000 • nationwidechildrens.org	1892/ Columbus	Small group of local women/ Children's Hospital	Children's hospital	8,464/ 8,464	Not-for-profit freestanding pediatric health-care network	Steve Allen, CEO
19	Citizens Bank of Ashville 26 E. Main St., Ashville 43103 740-983-2511 • citizensbankashville.com	1894/ Ashville	James Ward and William Miller/ Citizens Bank of Ashville	Bank	32/ 32	Independent community bank	Michael Lamping Sr., president and CEO
20	Fairfield Federal Savings & Loan Association of Lancaster 111 E. Main St., Lancaster 43130 740-653-3863 • fairfieldfederal.com	1895/ Lancaster	INA/ Fairfield Building and Loan Association	Building and loan association	58/ 58	Independent community bank	Judith Root, president
20	CSC Worldwide 4401 Equity Drive, Columbus 43228 614-850-1460 • cscww.com	1895/ Columbus	Mr. Dierdorf/ Columbus Show Works	Display case manufacturer	130/ 134	Manufacturer and marketer of retail display fixtures	Carl Aschinger Sr., chairman
22	Byers Automotive Group 427 S. Hamilton Road, Columbus 43213 614-228-5111 • byersauto.com	1897/ Chillicothe	George Byers/ Blue Ribbon Stables	Livery stable	700/ 750	Automobile dealerships	George Byers Jr., chairman
23	Licking Memorial Health Systems 1320 W. Main St., Newark 43055 740-348-4000 • lmhealth.org	1898/ Newark	Group of local women/ Newark Hospital Association	Organization formed to found a local hospital	1,645/ 1,645	Health services for residents of Licking County	Robert Montagnese, president and CEO
24	Wasserstrom Holdings Inc. 477 S. Front St., Columbus 43215 614-228-6525 • wasserstrom.com	1902/ Columbus	Nathan Wasserstrom/ Wasserstrom	Sold sundries from a horse and wagon	725/ 1,250	Supplier, distributor, manufacturer of foodservice supplies	Alan and Rodney Wasserstrom, co-chairmen
24	Columbus Castings 2211 Parsons Ave., Columbus 43207 614-444-2121 • columbuscastings.com	1902/ Columbus	Samuel Bush/ Buckeye Steel Casting Co.	Steel coupler manufacturing	800/ 800	Steel castings for rail and heavy industrial industries	Richard Ruebusch, president and CEO