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Columbus law firm to open office in Pittsburgh

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Ohio-based law firm Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP is opening an office in Pittsburgh.

The firm's office, which will initially have two lawyers, will be managed by Ellen Freeman, who is joining Porter Wright from K&L Gates. Freeman has extensive experience in employment-based immigration issues, as well as labor, employ-

ment and workplace safety. She was a partner at K&L Gates and worked there for more than seven years; she was also previously of counsel at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney and an associate at Cohen & Grigsby, all in Pittsburgh. She is admitted to the bar in New York and Pennsylvania, and has a master's degree and J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. Freeman's bio is here.

In a statement, Porter Wright said it had chosen Pittsburgh as its first organic growth move due to the thriving business and legal community in Pittsburgh.

"We are excited to grow our Pittsburgh presence and build upon that vision, always with an eye to how we can benefit our clients and advance client service," said Porter Wright Managing Partner Robert Tannous in a statement to the Pittsburgh Business Times. "Finding someone of Ellen's caliber and capability made the decision to expand into Pittsburgh an easy one."

Porter Wright has offices in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dayton and Columbus, Ohio, plus Naples, Fla., and Washington, D.C.