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Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein highlights priorities heading into third term in 2026

COLUMBUS, OH— Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein recently took the oath of office to begin his third term, and today offered his thoughts on his priorities for the next year:

“This year is one of incredible opportunity and responsibility. We have the opportunity to build on the progress we’ve made to make our city safer and neighborhoods stronger by cleaning up dangerous business, shutting down drug houses, and taking on bad landlords. I remain committed to balancing a tough approach to prosecuting violent criminals, domestic abusers, human traffickers, and repeat offenders with finding help for those who need it.

“And just as we did over the past year, it remains our responsibility to take quick, decisive action to fight back against the recklessness of the Trump administration as they continue to defund and destabilize local governments and the communities they serve. That same commitment extends to holding any level of government, landlord or corporation accountable if they overstep their authority or threaten the safety or financial well-being of the city and its residents.

“Over the past eight years, we’ve accomplished so much. Columbus has grown and changed for the better, but I know there’s more work to do—to fight for our city, make life more affordable, and clean up our neighborhoods, street by street, block by block. I’m proud to work alongside a hardworking and dedicated team of public servants at the City Attorney’s Office, and look forward to working with them, my fellow elected officials, and all of you, the people, to make Columbus the next great American city, a city of opportunity and possibility—for all of us.”