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Jacqueline Williams to Lead Minority Business Efforts for the Ohio Development Services Agency

COLUMBUS – Supporting the success of Ohio minority businesses is a key mission of the Ohio Development Services Agency. Jacqueline Williams has been selected as the Agency’s chief of the Minority Business Division, leading the state’s efforts to create, grow and develop minority-owned businesses to create jobs and strengthen the Ohio economy. She will join the Development team on Monday June 17, 2013.



Williams comes to Development with a host of private and public sector experience. She is currently the executive director of the Liquor Control Commission of Ohio and was instrumental in streamlining the appeals process, making the commission more accessible to local governments and businesses.

As executive director for the Ohio Tuition Trust Authority, promoting early financial preparation for college, Williams was a key player in making college education more accessible and affordable for all Ohio families. She is also the former director for the New America Foundation, a nonprofit institute investing in thought leadership for the College Savings Initiative.

“Jackie is an asset to the team. Her experience and leadership means minority businesses will have the tools to succeed,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency. “I would like to personally thank June Taylor, chair of the Minority Business Advisory Council, and State Representative Alicia Reece for their assistance in the process.”

Williams will work closely with the Minority Business Advisory Council, the ten Minority Business Assistance Centers located around the state and the Ohio Legislative Black Caucus.

She is a graduate of Miami University with a Master’s degree in Student Personnel Administration and a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology and Sociology.

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