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Monique Kahkonen Joins Employers Resource Association as HR Learning and Development Consultant

[CINCINNATI, OH – July 19, 2011] Employers Resource Association (ERA), an organization specializing in human resources consulting, training, development, legal updates, news and information, announced today that Monique Kahkonen, SPHR, has joined the organization as HR Learning and Development Consultant. She holds the Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) credential from the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM).

“We are fortunate to have Monique join the ERA team. Her director-level HR and classroom training experience will have an immediate impact for ERA’s members,” said Ralph Neal, SPHR, vice president of educational services at ERA. “She will lead the design and delivery of HR and legal compliance training for employers of various sizes and industries in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.”

Kahkonen brings more than 15 years of human resource and training experience to ERA. Prior to joining the association, she was the human resource and training director for a national franchise system where she provided consultation and training in all aspects of human resources including employment, compensation, leadership development, wage and hour, workers’ compensation and unemployment. She held leadership positions within a regional hospital network and began her career in the non-profit arena.

Kahkonen is committed to serving her community and profession in a variety of ways. She is a board member for a state-wide foster care agency and an active member in the national chapter of the Society for Human Resources. Previously, she served for 10 years as a board member of a credit union including the role of past president. She has written for both local and regional publications on a wide variety of human resource related topics. Kahkonen graduated summa cum laude from Wright State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling.

About Employers Resource Association

ERA’s team of human resources experts and specialists work with a membership of more than 1,300 companies in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana on all manner of HR issues. From traditional concerns – such as compensation, hiring/firing, performance appraisals, training and development – to tougher challenges like Affirmative Action Plan audits, sexual harassment and social media policies in the workplace, ERA helps companies of all sizes in the Midwest with offices in Cincinnati and Columbus. For more information, visit www.hrxperts.org or call 888.237.9554.

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