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**PHILLIPS LYTLE PARTNER JOHN G. SCHMIDT JR. APPOINTED TO
BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

BUFFALO, NY – John G. Schmidt Jr., a partner with Phillips Lytle LLP, one of the region's best known law firms, was recently named to the board of trustees for the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library. The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library serves as a center of information, education, culture and entertainment for the residents of Erie County.

At Phillips Lytle, Mr. Schmidt concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, business torts, employee disloyalty, federal practice, e-commerce litigation, computer forensics and class action defense. Mr. Schmidt is a board member and the risk management committee chair of the Boy Scouts of America, Greater Niagara Frontier Council. He also serves on the Strategic Planning Committee of Leadership Buffalo and as pro bono legal counsel to the Greater Buffalo Metropolitan Crime Stoppers. He has served on boards and committees of many civic organizations, including the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Leadership Buffalo and Crime Stoppers. He received his J.D. from Rutgers Law School-Newark and his B.F.A. from New York University.

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