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Executive Director, Office of Business Continuity

Marvin E. Richards, Jr., serves as Executive Director, Office of Business Continuity at Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®). In this capacity, Mr. Richards serves as the College's risk manager and is responsible for managing the College's Environmental Health and Safety Office.

Mr. Richards is a Cleveland native graduating from Cleveland Heights High School. Mr. Richards has a B.S.B.A. in Marketing and a B.S.B.A. in Economics from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Upon completion of his undergraduate studies, Mr. Richards completed his M.B.A from Governors State University while also working for U.S. Senator Paul Simon as a staff assistant responsible for education, employment and discrimination issues in U.S. Senator Paul Simon's Chicago office. Subsequently, Mr. Richards earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Illinois College of Law.

Mr. Richards joined the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps where he served in many roles. After his military obligation ended, Mr. Richards practiced law as a litigator in law firms in California and Ohio. Some of the highlights of his law practice include the following: obtaining summary judgment in a \$11.7 million breach of contract class action lawsuit, defending large corporations in product liability actions, insurance litigation, toxic mold litigation, ADA litigation and representing public and private entities in a variety of actions.

In 2009, Mr. Richards joined Cuyahoga Community College as Executive Director, Office of Legal Services. From November 2010 - October 2012, Mr. Richards, was recalled to active duty in the U.S. Navy. During his recall, Mr. Richards managed the day-to-day operations of seven Naval Legal Services Offices, coordinated the merger of legal services between the U.S. Navy and the Army at the National Naval Medical Center Bethesda, and represented a senior marine in a court-martial that made the cover of the Marine Corps Times.

In October 2012, Mr. Richards returned to the College where he assumed his current role as Executive Director, Office of Business Continuity.

Mr. Richards currently teaches a Business Law Course at Cuyahoga Community College. Additionally, Mr. Richards has provided Ethics training to organizations in Ohio, Washington, DC, and Mississippi. He is also a frequent speaker on the topic of business law for entrepreneurs.

Speech Topics:

- **Professional Ethics**
- **Business Law for Entrepreneurs**