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# Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Kathryn Bartter Arnold, Republican, from Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission for a term beginning February 24, 2023 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2026, replacing William R. Knapke, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 24nd day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Three.

*Mike DeWine*

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Governor



**Kate Bartter**  
**Executive Director, Sustainability Institute at Ohio State**  
**Short Bio**

Kate Bartter serves as the executive director of the Sustainability Institute (SI) at The Ohio State University. In this position, she co-leads SI with Faculty Director Elena Irwin. Launched in 2019, SI's mission is to support, lead and integrate sustainability across the university enterprise, from research to learning opportunities for students to outreach and engagement and campus operations. In its first year, SI attracted over 275 affiliated faculty from 10 Ohio State colleges. In addition, SI has 31 core faculty hired in partnership with 18 different university departments through Ohio State's Discovery Themes initiative.

As executive director, Kate works with the faculty director to develop strategic priorities and metrics of success for SI. Her role focuses on staff management and providing strategic leadership for SI's non-academic programs. Kate also manages university sustainability initiatives, such as tracking progress toward meeting Ohio State's enterprise-wide sustainability goals, guiding the academic collaboration component of the Comprehensive Energy Management Project, and building effective external sustainability partnerships. In addition, she chairs the President and Provost's Council on Sustainability. Formerly, Kate served as director of Ohio State's Office of Energy and Environment from 2015-2019.

Prior to joining Ohio State, Kate served as the Chief Policy Advisor and Director of Cabinet Affairs for Ohio Governor Bob Taft. In that capacity, she managed the governor's policy staff, directed cabinet relations and served as the Governor's Executive Assistant for Environment and Natural Resources throughout the Taft administration.

Kate also serves on the following boards and commissions: The Great Lakes Protection Fund, The Lake Erie Commission, The Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the Ohio Chapter of the Nature Conservancy.

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**Appointment Date:** 2/24/2023

**Name of Appointee:** Kathryn Bartter Arnold  
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**Term Begins:** 7/1/2022  
**Term Ends:** 6/30/2026  
**Party Affiliation:** Republican  
**Senate Confirmation:** Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate  
**Financial Disclosure:** Confidential disclosure required  
**Vice:** William R. Knapke