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SMITH ANDERSON NAMED AMONG “BEST LAW FIRMS” BY U.S. NEWS MEDIA GROUP AND BEST LAWYERS

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Raleigh NC (September 15, 2010) – In the first U.S. News/Best Lawyers “Best Law Firm Ranking” Smith Anderson has received first-tier rankings” in 15 categories and is the only firm with a first tier ranking in “Mergers & Acquisitions Law” and “Securities/Capital Markets Law” in the Raleigh metropolitan area. The firm has the highest number of first tier rankings in the Raleigh metropolitan area. The ranked categories include:

- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Employment Benefits Law
- General Commercial Litigation
- Government Relations Practice
- Health Care Law
- Land Use & Zoning Law
- Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Mergers & Acquisitions Law
- Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Product Liability Litigation – Defendants
- Securities/Capital Markets Law
- Tax Law
- Trusts & Estates Law
- Venture Capital Law

“Best Law Firm Rankings” is a new initiative between *U.S. News Media Group*, the nation’s leading source of rankings and service journalism and *Best Lawyers*, the leading survey of lawyers worldwide. The rankings are a result of evaluation of more than 3,000 law firms across the United States using a wide range of objective data as well as individual assessments from more than 40,000 private practice lawyers; 20,000 clients; and thousands of law firm employees.

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About Smith Anderson

Since its founding in 1912, Smith Anderson has grown to become the largest Triangle-based law firm and one of the largest in North Carolina. Representing diverse organizations with local, state, national and international interests, its lawyers are committed to understanding clients' businesses and customizing legal solutions accordingly. Its commitment to clients also extends to the business community and legal profession.

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