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### SMITH ANDERSON RECEIVES BENCHMARK LITIGATION'S HIGHEST RATING

Benchmark Litigation 2015 recognizes ten Smith Anderson litigation attorneys

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**Raleigh, N.C.** – In the 2015 edition of *Benchmark Litigation*, Smith Anderson receives a “Highly Recommended” rating among law firms in North Carolina – the highest rating bestowed by the publication. The publication, which focuses exclusively on peer and client review of U.S. litigation practices and attorneys, also recognizes 10 of our lawyers as either North Carolina State “Litigation Stars” or “Future Stars.”

*“Smith Anderson is a very strong firm, competitors admit.” - **Benchmark Litigation, 2015***

*“Smith Anderson has a lot of great lawyers, and they don’t yank the client around, a source remarks. ‘They don’t go roaring guns blazing into court. They are into solving problems and avoiding litigation when possible, which is ultimately what the client wants.’ Indeed, they are known to see trial as a last resort. When inevitable, however, they are well prepared.” - **Benchmark Litigation, 2015***

#### North Carolina State “Litigation Stars”

The *Benchmark Litigation* list of 2015 North Carolina State “Litigation Stars” reflects only those individuals who were recommended consistently as reputable and effective litigators by clients and peers. The following nine Smith Anderson partners are included in the 2015 edition as “Litigation Stars” in North Carolina:

- **Cliff Brinson**
- **John Madden**
- **Scott Miskimon**
- **Michael Mitchell**
- **Carl Patterson, Jr.**
- **Christopher Smith**
- **Sammy Thompson**
- **Donald Tucker, Jr.**
- **Kirk Warner**

#### North Carolina “Future Stars”

The *Benchmark Litigation* list of 2015 North Carolina State “Future Stars” reflects those partners consistently referenced by peers and clients as litigators who are likely to become “Litigation Stars” in coming editions of the publication. This year, **Jackson Moore** is included as a 2015 “Future Star” in North Carolina.

**About Smith Anderson's Litigation Practice Group**

After more than 100 years of law practice, Smith Anderson is the largest law firm headquartered in North Carolina's Research Triangle area and one of the largest firms in the State. Known for our trial-tested lawyers who combine their extensive courtroom experience with practical business judgment, we have successfully represented clients in cases at every level of the judicial system, in North Carolina and jurisdictions around the country. In addition to *Benchmark Litigation*, Smith Anderson's Litigation practice group and many of its lawyers are recognized in *Chambers USA*, "Best Law Firms," *The Best Lawyers in America*® and *North Carolina Super Lawyers*. For more information, visit [www.SmithLaw.com](http://www.SmithLaw.com).

**About Benchmark Litigation**

*Benchmark Litigation* focuses exclusively on U.S. litigation. The publication's results stem from the culmination of a six-month research period where its researchers conduct extensive interviews with litigators and their clients to identify the leading litigators and firms. During these interviews, researchers examine recent casework handled by law firms and ask individual litigators to offer their professional opinions on peers. Law firms cannot pay to be recommended for the guide. Recommendations are based on interviews with private practice lawyers and in-house counsel. For more information, visit [www.benchmarklitigation.com](http://www.benchmarklitigation.com).

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