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Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings Named One of the South's Best Economic Development Service Providers by Southern Business & Development Magazine

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (July 21, 2009) – Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP has been named by *Southern Business & Development Magazine* as one of the South's top law firms providing economic development services. The firm, the result of a merger on January 1, 2009 of Bradley Arant Rose & White and Boulton, Cummings, Conners & Berry, placed in the top three in both Alabama and Tennessee.

The annual survey, conducted between October 1 and December 31, 2008, polled the South's economic development community, asking, "Who are the best service providers to economic development agencies in the South?" The poll received nearly 2,000 votes in five different categories, including one for law firms. *Southern Business & Development Magazine* will publish the names of the top three vote recipients for each category in a directory this spring.

"It's always gratifying to see your work recognized in such a positive way by economic development professionals and by the clients you serve," said J. Thomas Trent, Jr., who heads the Economic Development Group at Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings. "We're very pleased to be named to this list of top economic development services providers in Alabama and Tennessee, and grateful that the economic development community and our clients value the work that we do."

About Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP

Tracing its roots to 1871, Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP has more than 360 attorneys in seven offices, and is one of the largest in the Southeast. The firm maintains offices in Birmingham, Huntsville, and Montgomery, Alabama; Jackson, Mississippi; Charlotte, North Carolina; Nashville, Tennessee; and Washington, D.C.

The firm's lawyers serve clients locally, regionally, nationally and internationally, and provide services across a wide range of industries, including accounting, automotive, banking and finance, biotechnology, construction, education, emerging business, energy, entertainment, equipment leasing, forest products, government contracts, health care, hospitality, insurance, manufacturing, materials and aggregate production, media and

communications, mining, municipal and public finance, oil and gas, pharmaceuticals and medical devices, public utilities, real estate, retail, steel, technology, telecommunications, textiles, transportation, and venture capital.

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