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Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings Receives 2011 Chevron Law Firm Diversity Recognition Award

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (August 25, 2011) – Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP is pleased to announce the firm is the recipient of a 2011 Law Firm Diversity Recognition Award from the Chevron Law Function, the in-house legal department of Chevron. In its seventh year, the energy company's Law Firm Diversity Recognition Award annually singles out firms doing legal work for Chevron that have distinguished themselves by demonstrating their commitment to diversity.

Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings is the only firm based in the southeast to receive this year's award. The other two recipient firms are Davis Wright Tremaine LLP and Steptoe & Johnson LLP.

“Receiving this recognition from a valued client, and being named in the company of such powerhouse firms, is truly gratifying,” said Firm Chairman Beau Grenier. “Our firm has long held diversity as a core value and guiding principle. Seeing our efforts recognized in this way only strengthens our commitment to this important issue for the legal profession, and the broader business community.”

The firm's commitment to diversity dates back to more than 50 years ago, when Ellene Winn of the Birmingham office became the first female partner in any major law firm in the southeast. More recently, partner Jim Rotch wrote “The Birmingham Pledge” (www.birminghampledge.org), a statement of belief that seeks to eliminate racial prejudice, one person at a time. Tens of thousands of supporters worldwide have signed the pledge, which has been upheld by both a Joint Resolution of Congress and a Presidential Proclamation.

Today, Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings commits a significant amount of time and internal resources to increasing diversity in its workforce. In 2011, for example, the firm expanded its annual diversity and

minority scholarship programs that provide financial assistance to law students, as well as several summer clerkships. The firm also hosts minority high school students as summer interns. Attorneys and staff at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings regularly organize, host and participate in programs, seminars and panels aimed at increasing the participation of women and minorities in the legal profession. The Bradley Arant Boult Cummings Winn Initiative, named for Ellene Winn, offers programs and mentorship to women lawyers on issues related to practice and leadership development within the firm.

For more on diversity at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, please visit www.babc.com/diversity.

About Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP

Tracing its roots to 1871, Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP has more than 370 attorneys in seven offices, and is one of the largest law firms 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, life sciences, construction, education, emerging business, energy, entertainment, equipment leasing, forest products, government contracts, health care, life sciences, 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.