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Two Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings Attorneys Named to Mississippi Secretary of State Study Group on Technology and IP

JACKSON, Miss. (August 16, 2010) – Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that partner David K. Pharr and special counsel Wendy R. Mullins have been named to the Mississippi Secretary of State’s Technology and Intellectual Property Study Group.

The group, formed by the Policy & Research Division of the Secretary of State’s office, is tasked with studying Mississippi law regarding technology and intellectual property, making recommendations to the legislature, formulating the recommendations into proposed legislation, and reviewing proposals with members of the legislature. In particular, the group will be asked to consider possible revisions to the Mississippi Uniform Trade Secrets Act concerning the adoption of a right to publicity statute, whether and how to adopt incentives to attract technology companies to the state, and whether to adopt legislation regarding electronic transactions and software contracts.

David K. Pharr is a litigator who focuses his practice on commercial litigation, including intellectual property disputes. He also has significant experience handling litigation involving insurance coverage, personal injury, construction, employment disputes, real estate, and environmental matters.

Wendy R. Mullins divides her practice between transactional matters and general corporate law. Prior to joining Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings she served as general counsel with SkyTel Corp., a wireless communications company.

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