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Former Chief of Staff to Governor Riley, Dave Stewart, Joins Bradley Arant Boult Cummings

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (February 16, 2011) – Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that Dave Stewart, former Chief of Staff to Alabama Governor Bob Riley, has joined the firm as Senior Advisor for Government Affairs and Economic Development. Stewart, who has spent his career serving in high-level positions in government, politics and the private sector, will work primarily with the firm’s government relations and economic development teams. He will partner with the firm’s clients to help them navigate the increasingly complex world of government at the national, state and local levels.

“We are excited to welcome Dave to the firm, and look forward to what he brings to the team,” said Firm Chairman Beau Grenier. “He is a seasoned advisor and has his finger on the pulse of the major issues our clients face in Alabama and around the Southeast. Our firm and clients will benefit significantly from his perspective and experience.”

“Bradley Arant Boult Cummings is a world-class law firm with an outstanding reputation across the country,” said Stewart. “The firm represents the Southeast’s top companies, handling matters of critical importance to the economic future of the region. I am looking forward to joining this talented firm.”

Prior to serving as Chief of Staff to Governor Riley, Stewart served as Riley’s Senior Advisor, and as a senior advisor to Congressman Jo Bonner (R-AL). He was the Director of Business Development for ForestExpress LLC, a forest products industry e-commerce services provider, and the co-founder and Senior Business Development Manager for Lumber Logic Corp, an online virtual marketplace for the building materials industry. Stewart holds an MBA from the Manderson Graduate School of Business at the University of Alabama and a B.Sc. from the University of Alabama.

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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.