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**Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings Partner Scott Adams
Elected to American College of Trust and Estate Counsel**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (Oct. 21, 2011) – Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that Scott E. Adams, a partner in the firm’s Birmingham office, has been elected to the prestigious American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), a non-profit association of lawyers who have made substantial contributions to the field of trusts and estates law through writing, teaching and bar leadership activities.

ACTEC members are nominated by fellows of the College and are elected by the organization’s regents. Members must demonstrate the highest level of integrity, commitment to the profession, competence and experience. Part of ACTEC’s mission is to improve and reform probate, trust and tax laws, as well as procedures and standards of professional responsibility.

Adams joins Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings attorneys William L. Hinds, Jr., Robert D. Thorington, John N. Wrinkle and Ralph H. Yeilding as members of ACTEC. In total, 36 of the firm’s attorneys are members of various American colleges in their respective practices.

“Membership as a Fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel is a great privilege for an attorney and we are proud of Scott for achieving this recognition,” said Firm Chairman Beau Grenier. “Scott’s knowledge and experience in this area of law, as well as the respect he has earned from his clients and colleagues, make him an outstanding representative.”

A member of Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings’ Trusts and Estates and Tax practice groups, Adams focuses his practice on advising clients on estate planning strategies and opportunities, including drafting wills and trusts designed to achieve significant tax savings. He also has significant experience in advising clients with respect to the administration of trusts and estates, and handling trust and estate

litigation matters. Adams recently was named to the 2012 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®, one of the most highly regarded referral publications in the legal profession, in the area of Trusts and Estates.

Adams holds a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law, and a B.S., *summa cum laude*, from Florida State University. He also is a Dillard Fellow – Legal Research and Writing (1998, 2000).

About Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP

Tracing its roots to 1871, Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP has approximately 400 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.