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**Bradley Arant Boult Cummings Appoints David Hill Bashford
Managing Partner of Growing Charlotte Office**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (May 15, 2012) – Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that David Hill Bashford, a partner in the firm’s Construction and Procurement, and Litigation Practice Groups, has been named managing partner of the firm’s Charlotte office. Mr. Bashford will oversee the ongoing expansion of the Charlotte office, which added four new attorneys in the Financial Services Practice Group last month.

“We are focused on strategically growing our Charlotte office, as well as the firm overall, and we are thrilled that David has taken on this leadership role in Charlotte at this important time in the development of the office,” said firm chairman Beau Grenier. “David will help to ensure that the Charlotte office continues to advance in the region, providing the range and levels of service for which our firm is recognized.”

Mr. Bashford said, “I am honored to be chosen to lead our Charlotte office and the firm’s North Carolina attorneys who are among the most accomplished and highly regarded lawyers in their respective practice areas. I look forward to supporting our current growth initiatives in Charlotte and firm-wide.”

The firm’s attorneys in Charlotte, one of the nation’s fastest growing cities, focus in diverse areas of the law, including Banking & Financial Services; Construction and Procurement; Bankruptcy, Restructuring and Reorganization; and Intellectual Property.

Mr. Bashford focuses his practice on large-scale public and private construction project disputes, representing owners, developers, engineers, architects, contractors, subcontractors and sureties. He has extensive experience in pursuing and defending construction claims in various state and federal courts, as well as in mediation and arbitration. Mr. Bashford also assists clients in drafting, structuring and

negotiating a broad range of construction contracts in an effort to mitigate each client's risk and exposure in an effort to avoid unnecessary disputes.

Mr. Bashford also is active on the lecture circuit on topics including North Carolina and federal construction law, construction drafting and negotiation, alternative dispute resolution and practical construction project documentation.

Mr. Bashford earned his J.D., *with honors*, from the University of North Carolina School of Law, and a Bachelor of Arts from Davidson College.

About Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP

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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, economic development, 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.