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More than 170 Bradley Arant Boult Cummings Attorneys Named to The Best Lawyers in America 2013 Edition

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (Aug. 28, 2012) – Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that 173 of the firm's attorneys are listed in the 2013 edition of The Best Lawyers in America®, one of the most highly respected referral publications in the legal profession. Best Lawyers are regarded as among the top leaders in their practice areas.

The Best Lawyers guide selects attorneys for inclusion based upon an expansive peer-review survey of top lawyers who assess the legal abilities of other attorneys in their practice areas. More than 4 million evaluations went into developing the 2013 edition. Attorneys cannot pay their way onto the list.

"We congratulate our 2013 Best Lawyers honorees, many of whom are recognized in more than one practice area," said Firm Chairman Beau Grenier. "For 2013 we also saw an increase in the total number of our attorneys listed as Best Lawyers, which demonstrates our ongoing commitment to retaining and attracting the best talent in the legal profession. Most of our attorneys are among the top leaders in many diverse areas of the law."

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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, economic development, education, emerging business,

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