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**Former House Financial Services Committee Advisor John W. Cole
Joins Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings in Birmingham**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (Jan. 28, 2013) – Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings LLP is pleased to announce that John W. Cole has joined as an attorney in the firm’s Birmingham office. Previously, Mr. Cole worked for the House Financial Services Committee, advising Chairman Spencer Bachus and Republican members of the Committee on bank safety and soundness, regulatory relief, mortgage lending, consumer credit, money laundering, and data security issues.

“We are happy to welcome John to the firm and our Birmingham office,” said Firm Chairman Beau Grenier. “He has a wealth of experience and insight that we know will benefit our financial services clients, and many others.”

“Bradley Arant Boulton Cummings is the national go-to firm for the financial services industry, and provides the logical next step for how I want to build my practice,” said Mr. Cole. “I’m glad to be joining such an outstanding team of colleagues.”

Mr. Cole has a J.D. from Cumberland School of Law, an LLM from Boston University School of law, and a B.A. from Furman University.

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