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LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL PRACTICES AND ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN CHAMBERS USA 2010

June 15, 2010 – Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell has once again been recognized for its many strong practice areas and attorneys in Chambers USA's just-released *2010 Client's Guide of America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. Locke Lord's practices are ranked in 14 categories, including 11 state rankings – one of which is top-band (Insurance: Dispute Resolution - Illinois) – and three national rankings (Capital Market: REITS; Energy: Oil and Gas - Transactional; and Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer). In addition, Locke Lord has 36 individual attorneys ranked in the 2010 Guide (up almost 30 percent from last year), including five attorneys who earned national rankings. New York Partner Steven Schwartz (Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance - Nationwide) received a Tier 1 national ranking, while Chicago Partner Nick J. DiGiovanni (Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance - Illinois) and Austin attorney Mike A. Hatchell (Litigation: Appellate - Texas) received a Tier 1 state ranking. These rankings fall on the heels of Locke Lord's Global Chambers recognition for its REIT practice, and for attorneys Bryan Goolsby (REIT) and John Sweeney (Intellectual Property).

Below is a listing of all Locke Lord attorneys cited by Chambers USA for their work in specific practice areas:

In California:

- Jonathan Bank (Los Angeles) – Insurance: Reinsurance (state ranking)

In Illinois (all based in Chicago):

- Jon Biasetti – Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory (state ranking)
- Nick J. DiGiovanni – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance (state ranking)
- Randall A. Hack – Antitrust (state ranking)
- Keith D. Parr – Intellectual Property (state ranking)
- Gary W. Westerberg – Transportation: Aviation: Litigation (national ranking)
- John M. Wulfers – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance (state ranking)

In Louisiana:

- Rick Kuebel III (New Orleans) – Bankruptcy/Restructuring (state ranking)

In New York (both based in New York City):

- Steven Schwartz – Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance (national ranking) and Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer (state ranking)
- John F. Sweeney – Intellectual Property: Patent (state ranking)

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In Texas:

- Christopher F. Allison (Dallas) – Tax (state ranking)
- Kenneth M. Anderson (Houston) – Banking & Finance (state ranking)
- Richard Bays (Houston) – Technology: Outsourcing (state ranking)
- J. Robert Beatty (Dallas) – Litigation: Energy & Natural Resources (state ranking)
- Jerry K. Clements (Austin/Dallas) – Litigation: General Commercial (state ranking)
- R. Brent Clifton (Dallas) – Tax (state ranking)
- Lisa Genecov (Dallas) – Healthcare (state ranking)
- Don M. Glendenning (Dallas) – Corporate / M&A (state ranking)
- Bryan L. Goolsby (Dallas) – Capital Markets: REITs (national ranking)
- Vicky Gunning (Dallas) – Real Estate (state ranking)
- Buddy Haas (Houston) – Banking & Finance (state ranking)
- Mike A. Hatchell (Austin) – Appellate Law (national ranking) and Litigation: Appellate (state ranking)
- Gerald D. Higdon (Houston) – Environment (state ranking)
- Stephen C. Jacobs (Houston) – Real Estate (state ranking)
- James R. Leahy (Houston) – Litigation: General Commercial (state ranking)
- Elizabeth E. Mack (Dallas) – Environment (state ranking)
- Robert J. McAughan Jr. (Houston) – Intellectual Property (state ranking)
- Robert T. Mowrey (Dallas) – Banking & Finance (state ranking)
- David Patton (Houston) – Energy: Oil & Gas (Transactional) (national ranking)
- Gerald J. Pels (Houston) – Environment (state ranking)
- Mike Peters (Houston) – Corporate / M&A (state ranking)
- Michael V. Powell (Dallas) – Litigation: General Commercial (state ranking)
- Susan M. Rainey (Dallas) – Environment (state ranking)
- Jamie Robertson (Houston) – Real Estate (state ranking)
- Michael O. Sutton (Houston) – Intellectual Property (state ranking)
- Bill Swanstrom (Houston) – Corporate / M&A (state ranking)

Locke Lord's Practice Areas that were recognized are:

- Capital Markets: REITs – Nationwide
- Energy: Oil & Gas (Transactional) – Nationwide
- Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer – Nationwide
- Banking & Finance – Texas
- Corporate/M&A – Texas
- Environment – Texas
- Healthcare – Texas
- Insurance: Dispute Resolution – Illinois
- Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Reinsurance – Illinois
- Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory – Illinois
- Intellectual Property – Texas
- Litigation: General Commercial – Texas
- Real Estate – Texas
- Tax – Texas

Like Chambers UK and Chambers Global, the Chambers USA Guide is designed to reflect market opinion. Entry in the guide is based on market recommendations determined by researchers who canvass clients and lawyers across the U.S. to obtain a consistent market view of which firms and lawyers are considered leaders in the field. Interviews were conducted with thousands of lawyers and their clients.

Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP is a full-service, national law firm with offices in Atlanta, Austin, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, London, Los Angeles, New Orleans, New York, Sacramento, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. With a vast geographic scope, and a national reputation in complex litigation, regulatory and transactional work, Locke Lord is focused on achieving client success as a team. Among Locke Lord's many strong practice areas are appellate, aviation, corporate, class action litigation, employee benefits, energy, environmental, financial services, health care, insurance and reinsurance industries, intellectual property, labor and employment, public law, real estate, REIT, tax and technology.

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