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LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL RECEIVES HIGHEST RANKINGS IN *GLOBAL BROKER & UNDERWRITER* MAGAZINE'S 2008 LEGAL SURVEY

(CHICAGO) August 25, 2008 – Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell was ranked as the No. 1 law firm in the United States in six separate categories by *Global Broker & Underwriter* magazine in its just-released 2008 legal survey. Locke Lord was the only U.S. firm to be ranked No. 1 in as many categories, which were: Reinsurance, Regulation, Litigation, Policy Drafting, Corporate Work (Contracts, Capital and Mergers and Acquisitions), and Alternative Risk Transfer and Insurance Linked Securities.

The *Global Broker & Underwriter* legal survey consisted of interviews and surveys of 200 in-house counsel to leading insurers, reinsurers, brokers, reinsurance brokers and underwriters. The questions asked which law firms the in-house counsel considered to be the leaders by the type of advice they offer in the United States, London and Bermuda.

The recognition of Locke Lord's Reinsurance Practice in this survey follows the recent announcement that Jon Biasetti and Nick DiGiovanni, Partners in Locke Lord's Chicago office, were acknowledged in *The Legal 500 United States-2008 Edition* for their accomplishments in the Reinsurance Practice, while Brian Casey, a Partner in Locke Lord's Atlanta office, was lauded for his work in the Insurance Practice. Locke Lord was also commended for its work in Insurance and Reinsurance by *Reactions* magazine in its 2008 legal survey, which was released in June.

Global Broker & Underwriter targets Senior Executives working in the Wholesale Insurance and Reinsurance Markets worldwide. It explores how Executives can improve the performance of their companies.

Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP is a full-service, national law firm of more than 700 attorneys with offices in Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, London, Los Angeles, New Orleans, New York, Sacramento 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, capital markets, corporate, class action litigation, employee benefits, energy, environmental, financial services, health care, insurance and reinsurance, intellectual property, labor and employment, public law, real estate, REIT, tax and technology.

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