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## **Baker Donelson Attorneys Named Law360 Rising Stars**

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David Gevertz and Tonya M. Grindon of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC have been named Rising Stars by *Law360*, a national newswire for business lawyers.

Ms. Grindon, chair of Baker Donelson's Securities Practice Group, was named by *Law360* as a Rising Star and one of 10 corporate finance attorneys under 40 in the United States to watch. Ms. Grindon concentrates her practice in securities, investment management, mergers and acquisitions, general corporate and international business transactions. She is a frequent author and presenter on corporate finance-related issues and has been named to *Best Lawyers in America®* in the areas of Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law since 2007 and was listed in *Mid-South Super Lawyers* as a Rising Star in 2008. She received the Nashville Chamber of Commerce Emerging Leader Award in the Legal Services category in 2009 and was named to the *Nashville Business Journal*'s Women of Influence and Forty Under 40 lists in the past year.

In addition, Ms. Grindon is president of the Nashville Bar Association Pro Bono Program and was named Baker Donelson Nashville Pro Bono Attorney of the Year in 2008. She is also past president and a current member of the Nashville Humane Association board. In naming Ms. Grindon to the list, *Law360* noted that when she took over as chair of the securities and corporate governance practice group two years ago, she was the youngest member of Baker Donelson's management group and the only female manager in the corporate department.

Mr. Gevertz, vice chair of Baker Donelson's Labor & Employment Group, was named by *Law360* a Rising Star and one of 10 employment attorneys under 40 in the United States to watch. Mr. Gevertz, a shareholder in the Firm's Atlanta office, concentrates his practice on defending large and medium-sized organizations accused of violating local, state and federal discrimination, wage and hour, privacy, drug testing and benefits laws. A frequent speaker before legal, management and human resources groups, he has authored numerous articles on employment topics and is often quoted by news organizations in articles on employment-related issues. Mr. Gevertz has been recognized as a leading employment attorney by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and *Georgia Super Lawyers*.

A 1995 *cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School and a 1992 graduate of Emory University, Mr. Gevertz currently serves as chair of the board of directors of Covenant House of Georgia and is a member of the board of directors of Callanwolde Fine Arts Center. From 2005 to 2009, he served as an advisor on the Employment Opportunities Task Force for Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin's Regional Commission on Homelessness.