

PRESS RELEASE

Seven Baker Donelson Attorneys Named "Lawyers of the Year" by *Best Lawyers*

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(Memphis, TN/January 13, 2010) Seven attorneys with Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, have been recognized as "Lawyers of the Year" by *The Best Lawyers in America* 2010. A well-respected listing that is widely regarded as a definitive guide to legal excellence, *Best Lawyers* has designated a select group of individuals as "Lawyers of the Year" in high-profile specialties in large legal communities. Only a single attorney in each specialty in each community is being so honored for 2010. Across the Firm, seven Baker Donelson attorneys were recognized as "Lawyers of the Year" for 2010.

Baker Donelson's "Lawyers of the Year" are:

- Leo M. Bearman Jr., Memphis Bet-the-Company Litigator of the Year
- Thomas A Caldwell, Chattanooga Corporate Lawyer of the Year
- H. Chervis Isom, Birmingham Real Estate Lawyer of the Year
- Robert C. Liddon Jr., Memphis Real Estate Lawyer of the Year
- William S. Painter, Jackson (Mississippi) Tax Lawyer of the Year
- Danny G. Shaw, New Orleans Area Construction Lawyer of the Year
- Gary C. Shockley, Nashville Environmental Lawyer of the Year

Best Lawyers compiles its lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current, 16th edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* is based on more than 2.8 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

The attorneys honored as "Lawyers of the Year" received particularly high ratings in *Best Lawyers'* surveys by earning a high level of respect among their peers for their abilities, professionalism and integrity.