

PRESS RELEASE

Baker Donelson Recognized by Birmingham Business Alliance

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(Birmingham, AL/October 9, 2012) Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC is proud to announce the Firm was recently named the 2012 "Small Business Champion of the Year" by the Birmingham Business Alliance (BBA).

Baker Donelson received one of four honorary awards presented to small business leaders and advocates in the community at the BBA's 2012 Small Business Awards celebration held in downtown Birmingham.

"Providing full service legal representation to Alabama small businesses has been a point of emphasis since our firm was founded in 1928," said D. Keith Andress, managing shareholder of Baker Donelson's Birmingham office. "It has been our privilege to work with so many talented business persons in Alabama, and we sincerely appreciate this award"

Earlier this year, Baker Donelson was named the "Best Large Company to Work for in Alabama" by *Business Alabama* and the "Corporate Citizen of the Year" by the *Birmingham Business Journal*.

The Birmingham Business Alliance was created by the merger of the Birmingham Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Metropolitan Development Board, and focuses on the economic growth of the entire seven-county Birmingham region.