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## Ben C. Adams Named Among Lawdragon's "100 Managing Partners You Need to Know"

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(Memphis, TN/July 15, 2008) Ben C. Adams, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the law firm of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, has been included in Lawdragon's list of "100 Managing Partners You Need to Know," which highlights the top names in law firm management across the country.

Lawdragon, a legal community and print publication that provides attorney rankings and legal news, contacted more than 50,000 legal professionals for their input on the most effective law firm leaders. The leaders included in the list were selected through a combination of submissions from firms and Lawdragon's editorial research.

According to Lawdragon, Mr. Adams is "the undisputed leader of what was once a Top Tennessean—but which now ranges from Huntsville to Beijing." He has served as Chairman and CEO since October 2003 following an earlier tenure from 1993 to 1998.

"While I appreciate this recognition by Lawdragon, it's really a reflection on Baker Donelson, because we have so many talented attorneys within our Firm," said Mr. Adams. "The quality of our people is what makes Baker Donelson one of the best places to work in the country."

Mr. Adams, who concentrates his practice in the areas of corporate law and estate planning, has been listed in both *The Best Lawyers in America*® (Copyright 2007 by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken S.C.) and *Mid-South Super Lawyers* and has also been recognized in *Business Tennessee* magazine's annual listing of the "150 Best Lawyers" in Tennessee.