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Barnwell Whaley Patterson & Helms, LLC named Client Choice South Carolina Intellectual Property Law Firm of the Year by Corporate INTL

Charleston, S.C. – Charleston law firm Barnwell Whaley Patterson & Helms, LLC, has been awarded Corporate INTL’s 2013 Legal Award - IP Law Firm of the Year in South Carolina. Barnwell Whaley’s Intellectual Property team is headed by Managing Member Bill Killough and Special Counsel Ernest “Lip” Lipscomb, who both hold numerous awards for their work in patent and trademark law. Killough and Lipscomb are supported by a team of experienced attorneys.



Bill Killough has over thirty years of experience as a Registered Patent Attorney. Killough has prosecuted hundreds of patent and trademark applications, and he has litigated numerous patent, trademark and copyright matters. As an industrial engineering graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology (a program consistently ranked as the best in the nation) and with a Masters in Business Administration from the University of South Carolina. Killough also holds a Martindale-Hubbe Preeminent rating, and is included in *Best Lawyers* in the fields of intellectual property litigation and corporate law. He obtained his mediation certification from the South Carolina Bar, and has received training from the American Arbitration Association, specifically to assist with patent, trademark and intellectual property disputes.



Ernest Lipscomb is the author of the seminal eleven-volume treatise in the patent field, *Lipscomb’s Walker on Patents*, as well as *Lipscomb’s Patent Claims*. Lipscomb has over 45 years of experience as patent counsel including years in private practice as a partner with the law firm of Alston and Bird in Charlotte, North Carolina, with a concentration in chemical, pharmaceutical and medical device patents. His experience as in house intellectual property counsel includes work for major corporations such as Westvaco, Revlon Inc., and Rorer Group, Inc. In addition, he has served as an Examiner in the United States Patent Office. Mr. Lipscomb has a preeminent (formerly referred to as

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