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## **McKay Firm Partner Receives AV Preeminent Rating**

*Mark Cauthen Awarded Highest Level of Professional Excellence*

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – McKay, Cauthen, Settana, & Stublely, P.A. is pleased to announce that Mark D. Cauthen, a partner with the firm, has been awarded the AV Preeiminent Rating by Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Ratings. This designation signifies that Mr. Cauthen has received the highest possible rating for his legal abilities and ethical standards. This designation is given to a very small percentage of attorneys across the United States. The Martindale-Hubbell website calls the AV Rating designation a “testament to the fact that a lawyer’s peers rank him or her at the highest level of professional excellence.”

Mr. Cauthen, a graduate of Wofford College and the Cumberland School of Law, is a South Carolina native and member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney’s Association and the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce. He also serves on the Educational Conference Committee for the South Carolina Workers’ Compensation Educational Association and is on the Board of Directors for Kids’ Chance of South Carolina. Mr. Cauthen practices in the areas of workers’ compensation, subrogation, workers’ compensation appeals, construction law and general litigation.

**About The McKay Firm:** *McKay, Cauthen, Settana, & Stublely, P.A. (The McKay Firm) is a defense-oriented civil litigation firm based in Columbia, South Carolina. Since 1908, our skilled attorneys have provided experienced litigators and excellent services to our clients throughout the Southeast. Our firm maintains an AV Preeiminent Rating by Martindale-Hubbell signifying that the McKay Firm has received the highest possible rating for legal abilities and ethical standards. The McKay Firm is listed as a Recommended Insurance Firm by A.M. Best and in the Preferred Law Firms Directory by American Business & Insurance Attorneys. The firm was also selected for inclusion in Best Law Firms in America®, in the field of workers’ compensation defense litigation. McKay Public Affairs, an affiliate of The McKay Firm, offers state and local procurement, legislative advocacy and media consulting services. For more information about The McKay Firm, please visit [www.mckayfirm.com](http://www.mckayfirm.com).*

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## Four McKay Firm Attorneys Named 2012 Midlands Legal Elite

**COLUMBIA, SC** – McKay, Cauthen, Settana, & Stublely, P.A. is pleased to announce that four attorneys from the firm have been selected for 2012 Legal Elite of the Midlands by *Greater Columbia Business Monthly*. Daniel R. Settana, Jr., M. Stephen Stublely, Kelli Sullivan and David M. Bornemann were selected by their peers as leaders in their respective practice areas. Both Settana and Stublely are partners at [The McKay Firm](#).

Mr. Settana, selected in the area of commercial transportation law, is a graduate of The Citadel and the University of South Carolina School of Law and serves on the Trucking Substantive Law Committee for the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association, is a member of the South Carolina Trucking Association and the Trucking Industry Defense Association. He is also former President of the Columbia Area Citadel Club and former District Director of the Citadel Alumni Association.

Mr. Stublely, selected in the area of workers' compensation defense law, is a graduate of The Citadel and the Mississippi College School of Law. He is a member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney's Association, the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Association and also served as a former Past President of the Columbia Area Citadel Club. Mr. Stublely recently received a [Preeminent AV Rating from Martindale Hubbell](#).

Ms. Sullivan, selected in the area of insurance law, is a graduate of the University of South Carolina School of Law and serves on the Medical Malpractice Committee for the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney's Association. She is also a certified mediator and utilizes her prior experience as both a plaintiff's attorney and a defense attorney to assist clients in mediating disputes. Ms. Sullivan is currently participating in Leadership Columbia, Class of 2013.

Mr. Bornemann, selected in the area of workers' compensation defense law, is a graduate of the University of South Carolina Honors College and the University of South Carolina School of Law. He is a member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney's Association, the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Association, the Contemporaries of the Columbia Art Museum, and is a 2012 graduate of Leadership Columbia.

The Legal Elite of the Midlands will honor its' newest recipients at a ceremony on October 22, 2012 at the Blue Marlin Vista Room.

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## **Best Law Firms in America Selects The McKay Firm**

*SC Firm Selected for Third Year in Area of Workers' Compensation Defense*

**COLUMBIA, SC** – McKay, Cauthen, Settana & Stublely, P.A. ("The McKay Firm") is pleased to announce that the firm has received recognition as one of the 2013 Best Law Firms in America.

U.S. News Media Group and Best Lawyers have released the third annual "Best Law Firms" rankings. The third and latest edition of these rankings features law firms given consistently impressive performance ratings by clients and by their peers. The rankings showcase more than 10,000 law firms across America ranked in one or more of the 80 practice areas.

The McKay Firm received their national ranking in the area of Workers' Compensation Law.

***"We are proud that our firm continues to receive this prestigious recognition,"*** said Julius W. "Jay" McKay, II. ***"We strive to offer new services and find innovative ways to address our clients' needs and expand their ability to do business in South Carolina."***

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