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JOHNSON APPOINTED TO LOCAL RULES ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

INDIANAPOLIS – <u>James D. Johnson</u> was appointed to serve on the Local Rules Advisory Committee for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana. Johnson is a named partner at the Evansville law firm **Rudolph**, **Fine**, **Porter & Johnson**, **LLP**.

In addition to this new appointment, Johnson serves as the amicus chair and secretary to the Defense Trial Council of Indiana. He also is a member of the Indiana Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, Brooks American Inns of Court, Defense Research Institute, and the American Bar Association, Indiana State Bar Association and the Evansville Bar Association.

Johnson focuses his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, appeals, covenants and trade secrets, insurance law and products liability. He was named the 2007 Defense Lawyer of the Year by the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana.

A Newburgh, Ind., native, Johnson earned his juris doctorate *cum laude* from Indiana University School of Law in 1987 and his bachelor's degree with honors from Florida State University in 1984.

Rudolph, Fine, Porter & Johnson, LLP is located at 221 N.W. 5th Street, Evansville, Indiana. The firm was founded in 1987 and currently has eighteen attorneys. Rudolph, Fine, Porter & Johnson, LLP is a general practice law firm including practice in the following areas: Insurance Defense, Commercial and Civil Litigation, Family Law/Domestic Relations, Corporate and Business Law, Real Estate Law, Land Use and Zoning, Probate and Estate Planning, Trust Administration, Tax Law, Health Care and Employment Law.

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