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### **Carlile Patchen & Murphy Attorneys Named Best Lawyers® in America**

**Columbus, OH – November 1, 2011** – Five Carlile Patchen & Murphy attorneys have been named Best Lawyers® in America for 2012. Selection to Best Lawyers is based on an exhaustive and rigorous peer-review survey comprising more than 2.8 million confidential evaluations by the top attorneys in the country.

The CPM lawyers named are:

#### **Robert B. Barnett, Jr. for Trusts and Estates Law**

Barnett represents individuals, executives and owners of family businesses with respect to their estate and business planning needs, including ownership succession planning, Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs) and probate.

#### **Dennis J. Concilla for Litigation-Securities, Securities/Capital Markets, and Securities Regulation Law**

Concilla concentrates in the area of securities industry arbitration and regulation. He represents registered securities professionals and the firms that employ them in litigation, employment, and regulatory matters. He heads the firms Securities Practice Group and is a member of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Law and Compliance Division.

#### **H. Ritchey Hollenbaugh for Criminal Defense: White Collar and Ethics and Professional Responsibility Law**

Hollenbaugh's practice includes business litigation, white collar criminal litigation, election law and professional responsibility. He is the head of the Litigation Group at Carlile Patchen & Murphy. He is a past President of the Ohio State Bar Association and past President of the Columbus Bar Association. Ritchey recently served on the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association.

#### **Marie-Joëlle C. Khouzam for Employment Law-Management, Labor Law-Management**

Khouzam concentrates on representing and advising employers/management in Labor and Employment Law matters, Workers' Compensation, and Municipal Law. She also provides onsite management training on a variety of employment subjects, including wage and hour, workplace harassment, and personnel record-keeping.

#### **James R. Moats for Banking and Finance Law**

Moats focuses his practice on commercial banking, commercial law and transactions, workouts and restructurings, creditor rights and real estate. He is a former Special Agent with the FBI, has spoken and written on various commercial and not-for-profit law topics. He is a member of the American Society of Association Executives and the Ohio Society of Association Executives.

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