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**Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog, LLP Attorneys Named to  
2007 North Carolina Super Lawyers® List**

**RALEIGH, N.C.** – Civil defense firm, Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog, LLP, today announced that four of the firm’s attorneys have been recognized in the *North Carolina Super Lawyers*® 2007 publication. In addition, one of those four was also named to the list of Top 50 Female North Carolina Super Lawyers. Two of those four received further recognition by inclusion on the list of Top 100 Super Lawyers in North Carolina. In a process designed to identify North Carolina lawyers who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement, Law & Politics performs the annual polling, research and selection of Super Lawyers. Only five percent of the lawyers in North Carolina are named to this elite list.

The multi-step process, which culminates in the production of the Super Lawyers list, includes surveying approximately 14,000 active lawyers in North Carolina, researching all nominee credentials, a blue ribbon panel review and a good standing review of each nominee’s discipline record as provided by the North Carolina State Bar. As the final step in the process, top candidates are chosen from more than 60 different practice areas. The selected attorneys from Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog are listed below with their respective practice areas:

**Super Lawyers List**

- Richard T. Boyette: Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Dan M. Hartzog: Civil Litigation Defense
- Patricia L. Holland: Employment and Labor
- David D. Ward: Personal Injury Defense - Medical Malpractice

**Top 100 North Carolina Lawyers List**

- Richard T. Boyette
- Patricia L. Holland



## **Top 50 Female North Carolina Lawyers List**

- Patricia L. Holland

For more information about the Super Lawyers list, go to [www.superlawyers.com](http://www.superlawyers.com).

### ***About Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog, LLP***

Founded in 1992, Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog, LLP is a law firm which concentrates its practice in the defense of civil claims and lawsuits, representing individuals and businesses of all types. Consistently ranked as one of the largest in North Carolina, the firm has more than 90 attorneys and three locations: Raleigh, Charlotte and Wilmington. The firm handles cases in a variety of practice areas, including medical and professional negligence, products liability, construction defects, police and municipal law, premises liability and security, trucking/transportation law, education law, employment law, workers' compensation claims, commercial litigation and land condemnation. With its experienced litigators and support personnel utilizing the latest technology available, Cranfill, Sumner and Hartzog, LLP is generally recognized as one of the most creative and innovative litigation firms in the state today. For more information, visit [www.cshlaw.com](http://www.cshlaw.com).