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Twelve Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog Attorneys Recognized by Super Lawyers Magazine

RALEIGH, N.C. (March 26, 2010) – Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP (www.cshlaw.com), one of the largest civil defense firms in North Carolina, announced today that 12 attorneys in the Raleigh office were recognized by *Super Lawyers* magazine. Seven received the designation as Super Lawyer and five were named Rising Stars.

The selection process included statewide peer nomination for professional achievement. These attorneys were selected from more than 17,000 lawyers across the state. The magazine was distributed to North Carolina attorneys and was included in the March issue of *Charlotte Magazine*.

“To have 12 of our attorneys selected as Super Lawyer or Rising Star is a testament to our team’s commitment to excellence,” said Dan Hartzog, managing partner of Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP. “It is a tremendous honor to earn this prestigious industry designation.”

Attorneys from Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog selected include:

- David H. Batten – Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice and Business Litigation – Super Lawyer
- Richard T. Boyette – Alternative Dispute Resolution, Professional Liability: Defense and Civil Litigation Defense – Super Lawyer
- Susan K. Burkhart – Insurance Coverage and Land Use/Zoning – Super Lawyer
- Stephanie A. Gaston – Civil Litigation Defense and Business Litigation – Rising Star
- Dan M. Hartzog – Civil Litigation Defense, Government/Cities/Municipalities and Personal Injury Defense: General – Super Lawyer
- Dan M. Hartzog, Jr. – Employment and Labor, as well as Civil Litigation Defense – Rising Star

- Daniel G. Katzenbach – Professional Liability: Defense, Personal Injury Defense: General and Construction Litigation – Rising Star
- Kathleen M. Miles – Personal Injury Defense: General and Medical Malpractice – Rising Star
- C. D. Taylor Pace – Workers’ Compensation – Super Lawyer
- Robert W. Sumner – Personal Injury Defense: General – Super Lawyer
- George L. Simpson, IV – Civil Litigation Defense, Personal Injury Defense: Products and Insurance Coverage – Rising Star
- David D. Ward – Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice – Super Lawyer

The Super Lawyer distinctions build upon CSH’s dedication to excellence. Several firm members are peer-rated by Martindale-Hubbell® and have been recognized as Best Lawyers in America.

About Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP

Founded in 1992, Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP is a law firm that 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 100 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, environmental and toxic torts and land condemnation. With its experienced litigators and support personnel utilizing the latest technology available, Cranfill Sumner & 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 or call 919-828-5100.