49 Andrews Kurth Lawyers Named Best Lawyers in America 2011

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(Houston, Texas)—Andrews Kurth LLP is proud to announce that 49 of its attorneys have been named to the 2011 edition of *Best Lawyers*®, known as the oldest peer-review publication in the legal profession.

First published in 1983, *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive annual peer-review survey. For the new U.S. edition, more than 50% of the lawyers listed in *Best Lawyers* cast more than 3.1 million votes on the legal abilities of other lawyers in the same and related specialties.

Parenthetical notations indicate lawyers who have been listed in *Best Lawyers* for at least 5, 10, 15, 20 or 25 years.

Austin

Joseph M. Ford: Banking Law

Lino Mendiola III (5): Administrative Law; Energy Law

Phillip G. Oldham (5): Administrative Law; Energy Law

Jerry E. Turner (5): Public Finance Law

Rex D. VanMiddlesworth (15): Administrative Law; Energy Law

Dallas

David Barbour (5): Banking Law; Structured Finance Law

Jerry L. Beane (10): Antitrust Law; Commercial Litigation

Kay Lynn Brumbaugh: Antitrust Law

Andrew L. Campbell (5): Real Estate Law

Thomas R. Popplewell: Tax Law

Patrick C. Sargent (5): Structured Finance Law

Houston

Mark B. Arnold (5): Real Estate Law

J. Mark Breeding: Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law

Todd Brewer: Public Finance Law

David C. Buck: Corporate Law

John T. Cabaniss (25): Corporate Law

Richard H. Caldwell (25): Bet-the-Company Litigation; Commercial Litigation; Legal Malpractice Law; Personal Injury Litigation; Product Liability Litigation; Transportation Law

Robert M. Collie, Jr. (15): Public Finance Law

Robert J. Collins: Land Use & Zoning Law

Headline News

Jonathan S. Day (20): Administrative Law; Energy Law

Martha Smith DeBusk: Banking Law

Douglas J. Dillon: Banking Law

Jeff C. Dodd (10): Corporate Law; Information Technology Law

Christopher R. Fenelon: Employee Benefits Law

Jack E. Fields (25): Real Estate Law

Thomas W. Ford, Jr. (5): Tax Law

Mark C. Hodges (5): Real Estate Law

Stuart C. Hollimon: Oil & Gas Law

Robert V. Jewell (5): Corporate Law; Energy Law; Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Gregg H. Jones (5): Public Finance Law; Tax Law

Terri Lacy: Trusts and Estates

Daniel E. McCormick (10): Real Estate Law

L. Lee McMurtry III: Employee Benefits Law

Robert J. McNamara: Tax Law

Gail Merel (15): Banking Law

William T. Miller (20): Alternative Dispute Resolution; Trusts and Estates

G. Michael O'Leary (5): Corporate Law; Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Thomas J. Perich (5): Banking Law; Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Eddy J. Rogers, Jr. (10): Corporate Law

Robin Russell: Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

Dahl C. Thompson (5): Project Finance Law

Mark J. Thurber (5): Energy Law; Project Finance Law

Timothy J. Unger (5): Corporate Law; Energy Law; Project Finance Law

Hoang T. Vu: Public Finance Law

Rick A. Witte (5): Public Finance Law

New York

Paul N. Silverstein: Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law

The Woodlands

Paul M. Bohannon: Environmental Law

Washington, DC

Roger D. Feldman (5): Project Finance Law

Andrew M. Tucker (5): Leveraged Buyouts and Private Equity Law

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Methodology

Selection and Peer Review Process Inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is based on peer review, as it has been for the past 28 years, and the voting pool for existing categories consists of all lawyers who are currently listed. These listed lawyers are asked to vote on both current listees and new nominees in their specialties and metropolitan areas and/or states, as well as to nominate additional lawyers. Voting takes place either by phone or by electronic ballot. Each listed lawyer is asked "If you could not handle a case, who would you refer it to?" Lawyers are asked to give letter grades (1-5) to the nominees: 5 for someone the voter would definitely refer a case to, 4 for someone the voter would probably refer a case to, 3 for someone the lawyer would be hesitant to refer a case to, etc. Voters are allowed to provide comments as well as grades and are asked to vote only on lawyers whose work they know personally. Votes that are clearly aberrational or politically motivated are ignored. Once selections have been finalized, they are checked against state bar sanction lists to make sure that each lawyer is in good standing with his or her state bar. Once this process is completed, announcements are sent to firms' marketing departments, and letters of inclusion are then sent to the individual attorneys.

About Andrews Kurth LLP

For more than a century, Andrews Kurth has built its practice on the belief that "straight talk is good business." Real answers, clear vision and mutual respect define the firm's relationships with clients, colleagues, communities and employees. With 400 lawyers and offices in Austin, Beijing, Dallas, Houston, London, New York, The Woodlands and Washington, DC, Andrews Kurth represents a wide array of clients in multiple industries. For more information about Andrews Kurth, please visit *andrewskurth.com*.

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