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**Four Richardson Plowden Attorneys Named 2010 South Carolina *Super Lawyers***

COLUMBIA, S.C., April 15, 2010 - - [Richardson Plowden & Robinson, P.A.](#), is pleased to announce that four of its attorneys, Francis M. Mack, Eugene H. Matthews, Franklin J. Smith, Jr., and S. Nelson Weston, Jr., have been selected to the 2010 South Carolina *Super Lawyers*.

*Super Lawyers* is a national listing of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The magazine is published in all 50 states and features articles about attorneys named to the *Super Lawyers* list. The publication is used as a supplement in leading newspapers and magazines across the country and is distributed to all attorneys in the state or region.

[Mack](#) was recognized as a *Super Lawyer* in commercial litigation. He is a shareholder in Richardson Plowden and focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation in the areas of construction, contract disputes, fidelity and surety law, and insurance defense matters. Mack is a certified arbitrator and is listed in the 2010 *Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> for commercial litigation. He is a member of the American Bar Association, South Carolina Bar, Richland County Bar Association, South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney's Association, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He earned his Master of Engineering degree from the University of South Carolina (USC) and his Juris Doctor in 1982 from USC School of Law.

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[Matthews](#) was recognized as a *Super Lawyer* in employment and labor law. He is a shareholder in the firm and focuses his practice on employment law, administrative and regulatory law, civil rights litigation, and appellate litigation. Certified by the South Carolina Supreme Court as a specialist in employment and labor law, Matthews has extensive experience litigating claims concerning a variety of employment and other business issues. He is a member of the South Carolina Bar, the North Carolina Bar, and the South Carolina Bar's House of Delegates. Matthews earned his Bachelor of Arts from Furman University, his Master of Arts degree from Yale University and his Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia.

[Smith](#) was recognized as a *Super Lawyer* in construction law. He is a shareholder in the firm and focuses his practice on construction law, including construction litigation, contract drafting and negotiation, claims resolution and avoidance, design professional malpractice, fidelity and surety law, coverage issues, and insurance defense. Smith is listed in the 2010 *Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup> for construction law. He is a member of the American Bar Association, South Carolina Bar, Richland County Bar Association, South Carolina Defense Trial Attorney's Association, and American Society of Civil Engineers. A certified mediator, Smith earned his Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from Clemson University and his Juris Doctor from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

[Weston](#) was recognized as a *Super Lawyer* in corporate counsel. He is a shareholder in the firm and focuses his practice on banking, bankruptcy and creditor's rights, business and commercial law, collections law and real estate. He is a certified specialist in debtor and creditor law and bankruptcy law by the South Carolina Supreme Court. Weston is a member of the South Carolina Bar, Richland County Bar Association, the National Association of Retail Collection Attorneys, and the South Carolina Bankruptcy Law Association. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in political science from the University of South Carolina and his Juris Doctor from the University of South Carolina School of Law.

#### **About Richardson Plowden**

Established in 1973, Richardson Plowden Robinson, P.A., is among the 15 largest law firms in South Carolina, with more than 30 attorneys in offices in Columbia and Myrtle Beach. A full service law firm, Richardson Plowden has more than 25 practice areas providing legal counsel to local, state and national clients. For more information, visit [www.RichardsonPlowden.com](http://www.RichardsonPlowden.com).

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