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**BUTLER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION,
SOUTH CAROLINA DEFENSE TRIAL ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION**

COLUMBIA, S.C., January 2, 2007 – – Drew Hamilton Butler of Richardson, Plowden, Carpenter & Robinson, P.A., has been elected president of the Young Lawyers Division of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys' Association (SCDTAA). Butler's two-year term as president began December 8.

Established in 1968, SCDTAA promotes justice, professionalism, and integrity in the civil justice system by bringing together attorneys dedicated to the defense of civil actions. The Young Lawyers Division strives for the same purpose, while providing a collegial community in which young lawyers can network and develop professionally. As president of the Young Lawyers Division, Butler is responsible for promoting the development of young attorneys statewide as well as organizing special events such as community fundraisers.

Commenting on Butler's new role, Richardson Plowden managing partner Frank Mack said, "Drew is a fine young attorney. Serving as president of the Young Lawyers Division of SCDTAA is a unique opportunity for him to apply his leadership skills and serve as a role model for other

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young lawyers. We are pleased to have him represent our Firm in this manner.”

Butler joined Richardson Plowden in 2002. He focuses his practice on corporate defense litigation, products liability defense, premises liability defense, personal injury litigation, and insurance defense litigation. He recently authored an article in *South Carolina Lawyer* encouraging young lawyers to participate in the pro bono program that relies on volunteer attorneys throughout the state to prosecute criminal domestic violence cases in magistrate and municipal courts. Butler earned his juris doctor from Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law.

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