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## Baker Donelson Earns High Rankings in National Survey of Associates

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(Memphis, TN/June 7, 2011) Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC has achieved high rankings in the 2011 edition of Vault, Inc.'s prominent national ranking of the best law firms to work for. The rankings are based on the feedback of 15,000 law firm associates across the country who were asked to rate their law firms on a 1-to-10 scale for each of 12 quality-of-life categories.

In its first year to participate in this annual survey, Baker Donelson ranked among the top 20 law firms nationally in five categories: 7th in Firm Culture; 7th in Hours; 9th in Formal Training; 11th in Satisfaction; and 18th in Informal Training.

"We are very excited about these results," said Baker Donelson Chief Executive Officer Ben Adams. "We believe that they reflect the investment by all of us – leaders, teachers, formal and informal mentors, and administrative personnel – in training, guiding and supporting our associates in their development as great lawyers."

The Vault rankings are the latest in a number of honors Baker Donelson has received that recognize the Firm as a top workplace. Earlier this year, Baker Donelson was ranked 50th on FORTUNE magazine's prestigious "100 Best Companies to Work For" list. In September 2010, the Firm was ranked 20th among nearly 140 of the top law firms in the country in the *American Lawyer's* Associates Survey, an annual listing that ranks law firms as workplaces based on feedback from mid-level associates – attorneys in their third, fourth or fifth years of law practice. The law firm has also been recognized by *BusinessTN's* Best Employers in Tennessee program and *Business Alabama's* "Best Companies to Work for in Alabama," and has been named to "Best Places to Work" lists in Memphis and Nashville, Tennessee; Birmingham, Alabama; and Jackson, Mississippi.