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Baker Donelson Combining with Gambrell & Stolz in Atlanta; Firm's Southeast Presence Boosted with Addition of 36 Attorneys

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(Atlanta, GA/July 16, 2007) Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC and the Atlanta law firm of Gambrell & Stolz LLP are combining. The combined firm will maintain the name of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC.

The 36 Gambrell & Stolz attorneys are joining Baker Donelson's 14 attorneys in Atlanta, bringing the combined firm's total number of attorneys in Georgia to 50; firm wide, the total number of attorneys and public policy advisors now exceeds 500. Current plans call for the combined firm to maintain Gambrell's existing offices in Atlanta/Buckhead and Macon, with Baker Donelson's Atlanta attorneys and staff relocating from their current offices by the end of 2007.

"Gambrell & Stolz is a great fit for Baker Donelson, and our shared philosophies value innovative, results-oriented solutions and service to our clients, civic involvement and a commitment to hiring and retaining the best available talent. We have tremendous mutual respect, built from working as opposing counsel and working together," stated Ben C. Adams, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Baker Donelson. "We are very excited about our future and what we can offer Atlanta."

"This is the right thing to do," added Linda Klein, managing partner at Gambrell & Stolz. "Atlanta is a dynamic and growing market, and our combined firm is well positioned as a full-service partner to the business community in Atlanta and the greater Southeast region. This is just the beginning, and we look forward to continued growth."

Gambrell & Stolz was established in 1963 by David Gambrell. Mr. Gambrell served in the U.S. Senate in the early 1970s, and later returned to the firm. Gambrell & Stolz serves clients in a variety of industries such as construction, pharmaceutical and health care, real estate, finance, insurance and technology. The firm's practice areas include commercial litigation, business and corporate finance, real estate, construction, technology and intellectual property, taxation and employee benefits, estate planning, health care and eminent domain.