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Six Chapman and Cutler Attorneys in Salt Lake City Named to Utah “Legal Elite”

Annual survey of Utah bar members by Utah Business magazine honors state’s top lawyers; Chapman honorees represent multiple practices including public finance, environmental, bankruptcy, litigation and corporate

SALT LAKE CITY (February 20, 2007) – Reinforcing the eminence of Chapman and Cutler LLP among Utah’s legal community, six attorneys from the firm’s Salt Lake City office were selected by their peers to be part of the 2007 Utah Legal Elite, published by Utah Business magazine.

This is the fourth year that Utah Business canvassed members of the Utah Bar Association to recommend the state’s top lawyers. For the latest edition, 5,000 ballots were sent to Bar members, with various points assigned to chosen attorneys. The list was also vetted by a blue-ribbon panel of judges.

The six Chapman attorneys named among the Legal Elite represent a cross-section of practice disciplines, including public finance, commercial litigation, insurance and real estate, bankruptcy and corporate reorganization, environmental, health and safety, general corporate and securities work, and trusts and estates.

“It’s always gratifying to be recognized by your peers for the quality of your work and we appreciate that lawyers from across the state have taken notice of our accomplishments,” said **Richard Scott**, partner-in-charge of Chapman and Cutler’s Salt Lake City office and himself one of the six honorees.

Historically known for its public finance work in Utah going back to 1920, Chapman has recently expanded its practice base in the state, reflected by the range of attorneys chosen for this year’s Legal Elite.

“We have a broad-based practice in our Utah office and it’s satisfying to know that more than a third of our lawyers were selected for inclusion in this listing of the state’s premier legal talent,” Mr. Scott added.

The Chapman and Cutler attorneys included in this year’s Legal Elite are:

Richard Scott: A veteran of public finance with more than 30 years experience, Mr. Scott has represented all types of governmental issues as bond counsel, underwriter’s counsel and disclosure counsel. He has extensive experience in revenue bond and general obligation bond financings in the west. Chapman and Cutler was just named the most active bond counsel in the U.S. by Thomson Financial, the 26th year in a row that Chapman led all U.S. law firms in the volume of tax-exempt advisory assignments.

Kevin Murray: Mr. Murray practices environmental and land development law. He has played leading roles in the acquisition of environmentally sensitive property and brownfields development and has substantial experience with hard rock mining operations, interstate pipelines, refineries and general CERCLA/RCA remediation.

David Connors: Head of Chapman’s Salt Lake litigation group, Mr. Connor focuses on commercial litigation, insurance regulatory proceedings, class action defense and bankruptcy-related litigation. He has nationwide experience before state and federal trial courts and appellate courts.

James Tracy: Mr. Tracy’s practice involves a wide-range of litigation matters. He has successfully tried, arbitrated, and mediated cases in state and federal courts for more than a dozen years.

Stephen M. Tumblin: As head of Chapman’s corporate practice in Salt Lake City, Mr. Tumblin has advised numerous companies on transactional matters, debt and equity financing, business restructuring and workouts.

Adelaide Maudsley: The only associate included in the Legal Elite, Ms. Maudsley is part of Chapman’s special litigation, bankruptcy and workouts department. She has represented debtors, committees, trustees, secured creditors, insurers and preference defendants in Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases and workouts.

Chapman and Cutler began advising on municipal finance projects in the Utah in 1920 and opened its first office in Salt Lake City in 1981. Chapman notably expanded its presence in the state in 2006 with the addition of a six-attorney group led by Mr. Murray. The firm’s Salt Lake City office has clients that include national corporations as well as prominent Utah-based businesses.

“We congratulate our Utah colleagues for their selection to this year’s Legal Elite – in our view, the listing is Utah’s equivalent of the annual Chambers rankings, which mark the pinnacle of peer recognition,” said **Richard Cosgrove**, Chief Executive Partner at Chapman and Cutler in Chicago.

“The inclusion of such a solid lineup from our Salt Lake office is also proof positive that our expansion there less than a year ago has strengthened our position as a top law firm in the western region.”

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