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**Appellate Litigator Gregory S. Coleman
Joins Yetter & Warden LLP**

Houston, Texas, March 23, 2007 -- Yetter & Warden LLP announced today that Gregory S. Coleman, whose nationally prominent appellate litigation practice includes success at the United States Supreme Court, will become a partner in the firm's new Austin office.

Mr. Coleman joins the firm from leading international law firm Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP, where he heads the Supreme Court and Appellate Litigation practice.

Yetter & Warden founding partner R. Paul Yetter said, "We are delighted to welcome Greg to our firm. His arrival further strengthens our ability to represent clients in all aspects of complex litigation, even through the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary. Our clients now have a preeminent appellate litigator to complement the firm's existing strengths in business and technology litigation. This combination of capabilities uniquely positions us among the nation's best litigation boutiques."

Mr. Coleman's experience includes intellectual property, business torts, class actions, securities, products liability, insurance, bankruptcy, telecommunications, professional negligence, constitutional litigation, and governmental representation. He successfully has represented clients before the U.S. Supreme Court and many U.S. Courts of Appeals, state supreme courts, and intermediate courts of appeals. In January, *The American Lawyer* named Mr. Coleman as one of the "Fab Fifty" top young litigators in the nation who will "lead the field for years to come." He also is listed among 2006 honorees in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*.

He previously served as the first Solicitor General for the State of Texas, a position created by now Sen. John Cornyn. He was lead appellate counsel for the state in high-profile cases such as the *Ruiz* prison conditions case, the *Hopwood* affirmative action case, the tobacco litigation attorney fees cases, and cases challenging the state's sovereign and Eleventh Amendment immunity. His recent U.S. Supreme Court cases include *ExxonMobil Corp. v. Saudi Arabia Basic Indus. Corp.* (lead counsel for petitioner) and *Sereboff v. Mid Atlantic Medical Services, Inc.* (lead counsel for petitioner).

Mr. Coleman said, "Yetter & Warden provides an ideal platform to expand my appellate practice and work with top-notch business litigators. I respect what Paul, David, and their talented team have built over the past decade. The firm's proven track record and blue-chip client list are impressive. Combining our resources will create unique value for our clients."

Yetter & Warden founding partner David E. Warden said, “We have worked with Greg over the years and seen first-hand some of his extraordinary accomplishments. Our clients with bet-the-company litigation will benefit from his remarkable expertise, character, and judgment.”

Mr. Coleman received his J.D. with high honors from the University of Texas School of Law, where he was managing editor of the law review and a member of the Chancellors honor society. He clerked for Justice Clarence Thomas on the U.S. Supreme Court and Chief Judge Edith Holan Jones of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

About Yetter & Warden LLP

Yetter & Warden LLP focuses on business and technology litigation. With offices in Houston and Austin, the firm represents plaintiffs and defendants, from large multinational companies to individuals in contract, business tort, securities, trade secret, fiduciary duty, patent, construction, antitrust, and trademark litigation. In recent years, the firm has won more than \$1 billion in collected judgments and cash settlements for clients, as well as zero-dollar judgments for defendants in cases with exposure well into the hundreds of millions of dollars. *The American Lawyer* named the firm “Litigation Boutique of the Year, Honorable Mention” in 2005. Y&W lawyers have been recognized as *Texas Monthly* “Super Lawyers” and “Rising Stars,” and two were honored by the *National Law Journal* as among the “Top Ten Winning Trial Lawyers” in the U.S. For more information, visit www.yetterwarden.com.

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