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**GALLIVAN, WHITE & BOYD, P.A.
ANNOUNCES THREE NEW ASSOCIATES**

Greenville, SC – The law firm of **Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A.** announced today that three new associates have joined the firm.

Laura E. Figueroa is a native of Seneca, South Carolina who received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Duke University in 2005. While at Duke, Figueroa was Captain and President of the Duke Women's Club Basketball Team. She received her JD from the USC School of Law in 2008 graduating *cum laude* and was admitted to the Order of the Wig and Robe. Figueroa also received the CALI Award in Construction Law and Litigation and was a member of the Southeastern Environmental Law Journal. Figueroa currently practices in the area of Railroad Litigation.

Laura G. Simons is a native of Holly Hill, South Carolina, who received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Clemson University in English and Journalism, graduating *cum laude* in 2005. While at Clemson, Simons received the Howard D. Folk Presidential Scholar Award and the South Carolina LIFE Scholar Award. Simons was a Staff Writer and Copy Editor for *The Tiger* newspaper, and was a member of Sigma Tau Delta

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International English Honor Society. In 2008, Simons received her JD from Charleston School of Law, where she graduated *magna cum laude*. She served as Associate Articles Editor of the *Charleston Law Review* and received the CALI award for excellence in Judging. Simons currently practices in the area of Insurance Litigation.

Ashleigh L. Ward is a native of LaFollette, Tennessee, and graduated *magna cum laude* from Furman University in 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. While there, Ward was a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha Honors Society and was also captain of her Mock Trial team. Ward received her Masters of Arts in Teaching in 2005 from American University while teaching in Washington, D.C, as part of Teach for America's 2003 Corps. After her first year of teaching, Ward won the First Class Teacher Award from the Washington, D.C. School District. In 2008, she received her JD from the University of Richmond School of Law, graduating *cum laude*. Ward was a member of the *University of Richmond Law Review*, and served as the executive editor of the *Richmond Journal of Law and the Public Interest*, and President of the Moot Court Board. Ward was a teaching assistant at the University of Richmond and was selected for The Order of Barristers and the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Award. Ward currently practices in the firm's Workplace Practices group.

These three Associates were sworn in and admitted to the South Carolina Bar on November 17, 2008.

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