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Jim Bannister Nominated for 2008 *Best Lawyers in America* List

Greenville, S.C. (January 16, 2008) - Jim Bannister, local Greenville lawyer and partner at Bannister & Wyatt law firm, was recently nominated to the 2008 *Best Lawyers in America* list for criminal law in the categories of white-collar and non white-collar.

The *Best Lawyers in America* list highlights outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers evaluate their peers. Because lawyers are not allowed to pay a fee to be included, a listing in *Best Lawyers* is widely regarded within the legal profession as an honor. For 25 years, Best Lawyers lists have earned the respect of the profession, the media, and the public, as the most reliable, unbiased source of legal referrals anywhere.

Born in Greenville, Bannister graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1995 and focuses his practice on Criminal Law and Business Law. In 1995, he was admitted to the practice of law in South Carolina and is a member of the South Carolina Bar, Federal Bar Association, O'Neal Inn of Court, Greenville Young Lawyers Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, South Carolina Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, and Greenville Chamber of Commerce (member, Board of Regents, 1999-2001). In 2004, he received the Young Lawyer of the Year Award for S.C. from the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Since 1976, Bannister & Wyatt has been dedicated to providing the highest quality legal counsel and advice to clients. Bannister & Wyatt's skilled, experienced and aggressive team of attorneys specializes in Criminal Defense, Commercial Real Estate and Family Law. Recognized and regarded as a top law firm throughout the Southeast, Bannister & Wyatt has the experience to solve complex legal problems that affect you and your family.

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