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**Rhoades McKee Expands by 10 percent with
Addition of Five New Attorneys**

(Grand Rapids, MI –December 7, 2011)- Reporting a personnel growth of 10 percent, Rhoades McKee today announced five new attorneys have recently joined the firm across several specialties.

Attorneys joining the firm include:

Alexander F. Denton – Appellate & Litigation Law

Joseph A. Lucas – Creditor’s Rights

Harold E. Nelson – Creditor’s Rights

Mark R. Smith – Employment Law, Business Law, and Litigation

Christopher M. Wirth – Business, Construction & Real Estate Law

“We are excited to have the opportunity to welcome these new members into our family. Their talents and resources will enhance the legal expertise we offer to our clients,” stated John M. Lichtenberg, Vice President of Associate Development and Recruitment. “We are confident in the continued business development opportunities in West Michigan and are pleased with the more favorable economic conditions which have been recently recorded,” he continued.

The growth in personnel will continue into 2012. The firm also confirmed four recent law clerks, **Jacob S. Dunlop, Zoe S. Martinez, Stephanie D. Myott, Kevan W. Ventura**, have accepted positions with the firm after law school graduation.

About Rhoades McKee (www.rhoadesmckee.com):

Founded in 1960, Rhoades McKee is a 56 member, Grand Rapids-based law firm representing consumers and businesses in a wide range of legal matters, including business, tax and corporate law; real estate, construction and environmental law; labor and employment law; health care law, estate planning and probate law; family law; professional liability and insurance defense; bankruptcy law; and litigation and dispute resolution.

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