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BRUCE A. COURTADE SELECTED AS FELLOW IN THE LITIGATION COUNSEL OF AMERICA

(GRAND RAPIDS, MI September 28, 2009)— **Bruce A. Courtade**, an attorney at the Grand Rapids law firm of Rhoades McKee, was selected as a Fellow in the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA). Courtade is one of only 15 Grand Rapids lawyers (and less than 100 statewide) who have been recognized as LCA Fellows.

According to the LCA website, "Fellowship in the LCA is highly selective and by invitation only. Fellows are selected based upon effectiveness and accomplishment in litigation, both at the trial and appellate levels, and superior ethical reputation. ... The mission of the Litigation Counsel of America is to recognize deserving, experienced, and highly qualified lawyers, to foster a cohesive membership for the exchange of ideas, to advance superior advocacy and ethical standards in the practice of law, to provide a channel for scholarly creativity and authorship of legal articles devoted to trial and litigation subjects, to offer resources for further professional development, and to assist in community involvement by its membership."

In addition, Courtade is Secretary of the 40,000 member State Bar of Michigan. He serves on the State Bar's Attorney Discipline Board, and is a Board member of the West Michigan Center for Arts and Technology. Courtade was recently appointed to the University of Michigan's Advisory Board on Intercollegiate Athletics, just finished his term as a Director of the U of M Alumni Association and is on the Board of Trustees of the University of Michigan Club of Grand Rapids Scholarship Foundation.

Courtade has been chosen as a "Super Lawyer" for 2006-2009. He is rated AV (highest legal ability and professional ethical standards) by Martindale Hubbell. Courtade received his B.A in 1984 and J.D. in 1988 from the University of Michigan.

About Rhoades McKee (www.rhoadesmckee.com):

Founded in 1960, Rhoades McKee is a 54-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; health care law, labor and employment law; estate planning and probate law; family law; professional liability and insurance defense; bankruptcy law; and litigation and dispute resolution.