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Hahn Loeser Ranked in Latest Edition of Chambers USA; Eight Partners Identified as Standout Attorneys

July 15, 2010 – Cleveland, OH – For the seventh year in a row, Hahn Loeser and its attorneys have been recognized by Chambers & Partners in *Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business*.

Eight Hahn Loeser partners were recognized at the individual level, including:

Daniel A. DeMarco (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)

As co-chair of the firm’s Creditors’ Rights, Reorganization and Bankruptcy Area, Mr. DeMarco helps a wide range of creditors and debtors through his bankruptcy practice, including Triad Energy Corporation (debtor-in-possession), which he represented in its \$81 million sale of oil and gas assets to Magnum Hunter Resources Corporation and collateral transactions valued in excess of \$10 million, all pursuant to a plan of reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. Mr. DeMarco is listed in Chambers USA as being “known for his ‘impressive intellect’ and experience in both creditors’ rights and debtor work.” He is certified in the practice of business bankruptcy by the American Board of Certification, a designation based on rigorous certification standards relating to experience, continuing legal education, integrity, and peer review, in addition to a sophisticated understanding of bankruptcy law. Mr. DeMarco received his J.D. in 1983 from the University of Michigan Law School, and a B.A. from the University of Chicago, *Phi Beta Kappa*, in 1980.

Lawrence E. Oscar (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)

Mr. Oscar is Managing Partner and CEO of the firm, as well as co-chair of its Creditors’ Rights, Reorganization and Bankruptcy Area. Mr. Oscar represents creditors (secured and unsecured), creditors’ committees, debtors and trustees in reorganization and insolvency matters, including Chapter 11 proceedings for companies such as WCI, Rouge Steel Co., LTV Steel, Weirton Steel, Value City Holdings, and Pilgrim’s Pride, among others. Mr. Oscar represents financial institutions, vendors and other creditor or debtor interests in connection with numerous workouts and restructurings, and negotiates and closes a variety of commercial transactions. He “is commended by clients for his ability to ‘take extremely complex situations and boil them down to the issues that all can understand.’” Chambers raised Mr. Oscar’s ranking this year, from “Band 3” to “Band 2.” Mr. Oscar received his J.D. from the New York University School of Law in 1981, and earned a B.S., *cum laude*, from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1978.

Lee D. Powar (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)

Mr. Powar represents debtors, creditors’ committees, creditors and indenture trustees in numerous insolvency matters. Noted for “an impressive reputation for lender representation,” Mr. Powar has provided counsel to bank lenders, commercial finance companies and agricultural lenders in numerous complex, multi-lender loan workout transactions and loans to cutting edge, high tech borrowers. He has also had extensive dealings with labor, pension and environmental issues and long-term supply agreements. Mr. Powar currently represents a major creditor in the Filene’s Basement bankruptcy, a large agricultural lender to numerous distressed dairy farms, and the property owners association of a gated golf community in South Florida developed by Lehman Brothers. He is also involved in workouts

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and bankruptcies of substantial South Florida businesses and real estate developments. Mr. Power earned his J.D. with honors from the University of Michigan Law School in 1963, and received his B.A. in 1960 from Cornell University.

Nancy A. Valentine (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)

Ms. Valentine focuses her practice in the firm's Creditors' Rights, Reorganization and Bankruptcy Area, particularly on the representation of secured creditors, equipment lessors, landlords, asset-based lenders and general creditors, and debtors in bankruptcy and in state-court litigation proceedings (civil litigation such as receiverships and complex collection matters). She has protected the rights of creditors by instituting and/or representing creditors in state court receiverships (Chambers notes, "Nancy Valentine has impressed with her work on enforcement actions and with receivers,") and has recovered the property of lenders in foreclosure actions and other collection efforts. Chambers raised Ms. Valentine's ranking this year, from "Up-and-Coming" to "Band 4." Ms. Valentine earned her J.D. with honors from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law in 1998, and her B.A. with honors, *cum laude*, from Vanderbilt University in 1994.

Robert J. Fogarty (Commercial Litigation)

Mr. Fogarty is co-chair of Hahn Loeser's Litigation Area and has extensive experience in complex commercial litigation, class action, health care, anti-trust, employment/non-competition agreements and tort litigation. He also has a thorough understanding of health care issues due to his longtime representation of a Fortune 100 managed care organization, and is currently defending one of the leading title insurance companies in the United States in class actions pending across the country. Mr. Fogarty "has the 'ability to focus in on what's important,' according to clients." Formerly an Assistant United States Attorney, Mr. Fogarty served as chief trial attorney for the United States in the Southern District of Ohio, Western Division. He is also licensed to practice in Florida. Mr. Fogarty earned his J.D. from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1977, and a B.A. from the University of Cincinnati, *Phi Beta Kappa*, in 1974.

Steven A. Goldfarb (Commercial Litigation)

Mr. Goldfarb, co-chair of Hahn Loeser's Litigation Area, "is recognized for his representation of title insurance companies and recently won two large punitive damage verdicts for Fidelity National." Mr. Goldfarb leads Hahn Loeser's team in the representation of Fidelity National Financial, Inc., the largest title insurance company in the U.S. (including Chicago Title). This representation includes the nationwide defense of class action litigation and the prosecution of major non-compete/corporate raiding cases. Mr. Goldfarb's national litigation practice has, in recent years, also focused on representing public companies in the financial services and franchising industries. Mr. Goldfarb received his J.D. in 1985 from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, and earned a B.A. from Indiana University in 1982.

Stephen E. Chappellear (Commercial Litigation)

Mr. Chappellear, partner-in-charge of the firm's Columbus office, focuses his practice in the areas of business and complex litigation, construction law, patent and trademark litigation, employment litigation, probate litigation, dispute resolution and appeals. He has over 30 years of experience in more than 60 trials (both jury and non-jury) and is "commended for being 'thorough and imaginative' in his approach." Mr. Chappellear currently serves on the board of the National Conference of Bar Foundations, and is a member of the National Council of the OSU Moritz College of Law. He chairs the Litigation Section of the Ohio State Bar Association, and is the chair-elect of the Trial Techniques Committee of the American Bar Association Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section. He is past president of the Ohio State Bar Foundation, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Columbus Bar Association, and the Franklin Inn of the American Inns of Court. He received his J.D. in 1977 from The Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law, and a B.A. from The Ohio State University in 1974.

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Rob Remington (Construction)

Hahn Loeser's Construction practice chair "is a straight shooter who doesn't make mistakes." In Northeast Ohio, Mr. Remington serves as construction counsel to a wide range of owners, general contractors, and subcontractors, advising them on construction disputes, construction contracts, claims management and avoidance, and construction insurance issues. Regionally, his practice includes acting as construction counsel to a Fortune 67 company, handling all commercial transactions and commercial construction litigation for the client in an 18-state area. On the national level, Mr. Remington serves as outside counsel for construction and commercial litigation matters for clients operating in a variety of states. He is a frequent speaker and author on a variety of construction-related topics. Mr. Remington received his J.D., *cum laude*, from Cleveland Marshall College of Law in 1988, and earned a B.S. in 1983 from the College of Applied Science and Technology at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

Hahn Loeser was ranked as firm in three practice areas, including:

Bankruptcy/Restructuring

Hahn Loeser's Creditors' Rights, Reorganization and Bankruptcy Area is a comprehensive practice group representing creditors (secured and unsecured), creditors' committees, debtors and trustees in reorganization and insolvency matters, workouts and restructurings, and a variety of commercial transactions. Chambers commented that, "This creditor focused practice has had an active year, representing lenders, vendors, landlords and other creditor interests.... The team also has a highly regarded debtor practice...." Of working with Hahn Loeser on these complex matters, Chambers' sources added, "The group acts as your partner throughout the whole process, which is just great."

Commercial Litigation

The litigation attorneys of Hahn Loeser represent both defendants and plaintiffs in trial and appellate courts throughout the United States and in all types of alternative dispute resolution proceedings. They have a proven track record serving as outside litigation counsel for large, publicly-traded companies, providing creative solutions for managing litigation costs. Says Chambers, "This team has expertise in a wide array of business and corporate and antitrust cases, as well as class actions," and it identified Hahn Loeser as, "A first-rate firm that is good value for the money."

Construction

"A 100% excellent construction group," according to Chambers, HL Construction Law is a practice group providing construction counsel on nearly every area of law impacting the construction industry today. The Group represents a wide range of construction-related clients throughout Ohio, as well as nationally and internationally, including owners, developers, contractors, material suppliers, and design professionals.

Chambers USA is published by London-based, top legal publishers Chambers & Partners. The rankings in this independent and objective directory are based on interviews with in-house and outside counsel across the country with regard to professional ability, reputation, and client satisfaction.

This year marks the 90th anniversary of Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP. Established in 1920, Hahn Loeser is a full-service law firm of more than 125 attorneys with offices in Cleveland, Columbus, and Akron, Ohio; Naples and Fort Myers, Florida; and Indianapolis, Indiana. More information on the firm, and our 90th anniversary, can be found at www.hahnlaw.com.

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