Lathrop Gage Receives First-Tier Rankings from U.S. News' "Best Law Firms"

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (November 1, 2011) – *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers announced the 2011-2012 Best Law Firms rankings today with Lathrop Gage receiving 52 first-tier rankings for practice areas within their respected metropolitan areas, and one national first-tier ranking for railroad law, an increase from 38 practice areas in 2010.

The firm received top rankings in the following practice areas and regions:

Columbia, Mo.

- Environmental Law

Kansas City, Kan.

- Corporate Law
- Education Law
- Health Care Law
- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Litigation – Construction
- Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Litigation – Trusts and Estates
- Non-Profit/Charities Law
- Real Estate Law
- Tax Law
- Trademark Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Kansas City, Mo.

- Appellate Practice
- Banking and Financing Law
- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law

- Commercial Litigation
- Construction Law
- Corporate Law
- Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law
- Employment Law – Management
- Environmental Law
- Gaming Law
- Government Relations Practice
- Health Care Law
- Insurance Law
- Litigation – Banking and Finance
- Litigation – Construction
- Litigation – Environmental
- Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Mass Tort Litigation/ Class Actions – Defendants
- Media and First Amendment Law
- Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- Non-Profit/Charities Law
- Professional Malpractice Law – Defendants
- Railroad Law
- Real Estate Law
- Tax Law
- Technology Law
- Trademark Law
- Trusts and Estates Law

Springfield, Mo.

- Banking and Finance Law
- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Commercial Litigation
- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Litigation – Eminent Domain and Condemnation
- Mass Tort Litigation/ Class Actions – Defendants
- Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- Real Estate Law

St. Louis

- Land Use and Zoning Law
- Tax Law

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A full-service law firm, Lathrop Gage LLP has more than 320 attorneys in 12 offices nationwide – from Los Angeles to New York. In 2011, *Chambers USA* ranked Lathrop Gage's corporate, environmental, intellectual property, labor and employment, litigation, real estate and transportation teams among the best in their regions. For more information, visit www.lathropgage.com.