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Smith Joins Richardson Plowden as Associate Attorney

COLUMBIA, S.C., October 29, 2008 - - Richardson Plowden & Robinson, P.A., has announced the hiring of W. Allison Smith as an associate attorney in the law firm's Columbia office. She is a member of the Litigation Practice Group and will focus on appellate law.

Prior to joining Richardson Plowden, Smith worked for two years as a law clerk to United States District Court Judge Patrick Michael Duffy in Charleston, S.C. During law school, she clerked for Richardson Plowden and the South Carolina Department of Revenue.

Smith earned her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of South Carolina (USC), where she graduated *summa cum laude*. She went on to earn her juris doctor from the USC School of Law in May 2006, graduating *magna cum laude*. While in law school, Smith was an articles editor of *South Carolina Law Review* and was a member of the Order of the Coif.

Smith is a member of the South Carolina Bar and is admitted to practice before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

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