

# Salute to Business – July 2011

Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC



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## About Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC

Founded in 1876, Womble Carlyle has grown to a 550-attorney corporate law firm operating in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

In 2011, the firm added its twelfth office by merging with Buist Moore Smythe McGee, the leading business law firm in Charleston, S.C. The Charleston expansion gives Womble Carlyle added bench strength in key practice areas, as well as a new presence in the field of admiralty and maritime law.

As Womble Carlyle has grown, its practice has increasingly become national and international in scope. The firm represents numerous international corporations that have established operations in the United States, corporations involved in multi-district litigation across the country and U.S. companies doing business abroad.

In 2011, 38 Womble Carlyle lawyers were named best in their field by *Chambers USA*, and 100 lawyers were selected for 2010 *Best Lawyers in America*.

Womble Carlyle is working closely with the Association of Corporate Counsel on the ACC Value Challenge, which seeks to better align legal expenses with corporate client needs. The firm has been an innovator in offering alternative fee arrangements as well as Superior Value Services (including case management, e-discovery, trial consulting and medical records analysis) which help companies reduce costs and improve outcomes in litigation.

Womble Carlyle is a recipient of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund Corporate Leadership Award, making Womble Carlyle the first law firm to receive the highest honor given for support of the Fund and its 45 member educational institutions. Womble Carlyle also is the first law firm to be awarded the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Freedom Award, the highest recognition given by the U.S. government to employers for support of employees in the National Guard and Reserve.