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FIVE ATTORNEYS FROM OWEN & OWENS NAMED TO 2015 VIRGINIA SUPER LAWYERS

Founding Partner Mary Burkey Owens Named to Top 50 Richmond, Top 50 Women and Top 100 Virginia Super Lawyers

MIDLOTHIAN, VA (April 16, 2015) – The law firm of **Owen & Owens** is proud to announce that W. Joseph Owen III, Mary Burkey Owens, Samuel J. Kaufman, Kimberly A. Skiba-Rokosky and Jeremiah M. Yourth were all voted by their peers for inclusion in the 2015 edition of **Virginia Super Lawyers®**. Mary Burkey Owens received the added distinction of also being named one of the Top 50 Richmond, Top 50 Women and Top 100 *Virginia Super Lawyers*.

Super Lawyers®, a Thomson Reuters business, is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. Only 5% of licensed attorneys in Virginia are selected for inclusion by *Super Lawyers* after an extensive nomination, peer review and editorial research process.

Joe Owen was selected for *Virginia Super Lawyers* in the General Litigation category for the eighth consecutive year. Owen is a successful trial lawyer representing individuals and businesses in civil and commercial litigation, criminal defense, personal injury, real estate, estate planning, corporate and construction law. He is chairman of the Drug Court Foundation of Chesterfield County and a founding member of North Star Community, which provides a Christ-centered approach to substance abuse recovery. In 2011 Owen was named one of the “Leaders in the Law” by *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*, recognizing him for his leadership in the legal profession and service to the community. In 2013 he was the recipient of the Virginia State Bar’s Tradition of Excellence Award. Owen was also named to the 2014 and 2015 editions of *Best Lawyers in America* and is listed in the categories of Litigation: Health Care and Litigation: Insurance.

Mary Burkey Owens was named to the Top 50 Richmond, Top 50 Women and Top 100 *Virginia Super Lawyers*, indicating she had one of the highest point totals in the nomination, research and review process. This is the second consecutive year Owens has been ranked among the Top 50 Richmond and Top 100 and the seventh consecutive year she has been

ranked among the Top 50 Women. She was selected for *Virginia Super Lawyers* in the Family Law category. Owens has handled complex custody, divorce, support and equitable distribution cases for over 25 years and has been trained both as a mediator and as a collaborative lawyer. She is a founding member and former president of the Metro Richmond Family Law Bar and past president of the Chesterfield County Bar Association. In 2011 Owens was honored by *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* as one of the “Influential Women of Virginia” who are making notable contributions to their profession and community. She was also named to the 2013, 2014 and 2015 editions of *Best Lawyers in America* and is listed in the categories of Family Law; Family Law Mediation; and Collaborative Law: Family Law.

Sam Kaufman was selected for *Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars* for the seventh consecutive year and is listed in the General Litigation category. He began his legal practice in 2002 and represents both businesses and individuals in general litigation, commercial litigation, and real estate matters. Kaufman is the past president of the University of Richmond Alumni Association and former national co-chair of the University of Richmond’s Annual Fund. He is also chairman of the Chesterfield County Economic Development Advisory Council. In 2012, he was honored as one of the “Top 40 Under 40” by Style Weekly Magazine and the National Trial Lawyers Association.

Kimberly Skiba-Rokosky was selected for *Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars* for the fifth consecutive year and is listed in the Family Law category. She focuses her practice on domestic relations, estate planning, litigation, and administration (probate). She is the President-Elect of the Metropolitan Richmond Women’s Bar Association and a member of the Richmond Bar Association’s Communications Committee and of the Board for the Metropolitan Richmond Family Law Bar Association. Skiba-Rokosky is a past co-chair of the Richmond Bench-Bar Conference and a past board member of Safe Harbor. In 2012, she became the first recipient of the Richmond Bar Association’s “Young Lawyer of the Year” award, recognizing her for her excellence in the practice of law and her outstanding leadership qualities.

Jeremiah M. Yourth was selected for *Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars* for the first time this year and is listed in the Family Law category. He focuses his practice on family law, civil and commercial litigation, and employment law. He is an active member of the Virginia State Bar, Chesterfield Bar Association, Metro Richmond Family Law Bar Association, Virginia Bar Association and Virginia Trial Lawyers Association. He is currently involved in the Richmond Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and was nominated for the 2012 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation’s “Foundation’s Finest” young professionals.

About the Firm:

From family law to personal and commercial representation, Owen & Owens focuses its practice on the premise that “Every Client Matters.” For more information, please visit

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