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**South Carolina Bar Foundation honors Cauthen with statewide
DuRant award**

Columbia, SC (February 2, 2017) - The South Carolina Bar Foundation is proud to announce that George B. Cauthen has been selected as the 2016 DuRant Distinguished Public Service Award recipient for meritorious service to the law and community.

The DuRant Distinguished Public Service Award was established in 1980 in memory of Charlton DuRant. Mr. DuRant was a well-known Manning attorney who served as state senator and special associate justice of the SC Supreme Court. This award is one of the most prestigious statewide honors that members of the Bar can bestow on a fellow attorney. Recipients are nominated by their professional peers and selected by the South Carolina Bar Foundation board.

Cauthen is a partner of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough in Columbia, SC. He heads the Banking, Bankruptcy and Creditor Rights Team and practices in the area of creditor bankruptcy law. He graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Law and also earned his bachelors and a master's in public administration.

To say that George is a leader would be a significant understatement. In addition to being a South Carolina Super Lawyer, one of the Legal Elite of the Midlands per Columbia Business Monthly and one of the Best Lawyers in America, he still has or had time to:

- Serve on the Board of Directors for South Carolina Legal Services
- Chair the Pro Bono Committee for the American College of Bankruptcy
- Act as General Counsel for the Central South Carolina Habitat for Humanity
- Serve on the Board of Directors for the Carolina Chapter of Turnaround Management Association
- Serve on the Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Board of Certification and,
- Chair the S.C. Death Penalty Resource Center

George is also very involved in community service:

- South Carolina Access to Justice Commission
- ABA Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants
- ABA Commission on Homelessness and Poverty

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