



- **Beverly P. Baker**, a shareholder in the Birmingham office of Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart PC, has been elected a Fellow of The College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. Baker will be initiated into the college at a special induction dinner in Washington, D.C. in November.



Baker

- **John W. Johnson, II** and **Richard E. Smith**, partners at Christian & Small LLP, co-authored the second edition of the *Alabama Liability Insurance Handbook*, now called *Allen's Alabama Liability Insurance Handbook*. As authors, they were



Johnson



Smith

instrumental in changing the name of the book to reflect the contributions of the original author and the firm's senior counsel Bibb Allen, who passed away in March 2007. W. Steven Nichols, an associate with the firm, was a contributing author and editor of the book.

- **James W. Porter, II** of Birmingham has been elected 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president of the National Rifle Association of America. Porter, first elected to NRA's Board of Directors in 1989, will help set the direction of NRA policies and programs. Porter is a partner with Porter, Porter & Hassinger.

- **George Walker** of Hand Arendall in Mobile has been selected to serve as vice president of the Association of Defense Trial Attorneys (ADTA). The ADTA brings together selected trial lawyers from the United States and Canada, whose practice consists substantially in the defense of claims at the request of insurance companies and self-insurers.



Walker

- The Alabama Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (ACDLA) recently named **Paul Young** of Enterprise its 2008-2009 Roderick Beddow Award recipient. The Roderick Beddow Award is ACDLA's highest honor. The Beddow Award—named after Roderick Beddow Sr., who died in 1989 after practicing law in Alabama for 57 years—recognizes lawyers for a lifetime of achievement and excellence in their field. ▲▼▲



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