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ROBERT TUCKER NAMED ONE OF WORLD'S TOP 10 LIFE SCIENCES LAWYERS *RICHARD DEAN AND CHARLES SOCHA RECOGNIZED FOR LIFE SCIENCES AND PRODUCT LIABILITY*

Cleveland, Ohio, July 24, 2012 – Tucker Ellis LLP is proud to announce that name partner **Robert Tucker** is recognized by the ABA Section of International Law and the International Bar Association as one of the world's 10 **Most Highly Regarded Individuals**. The listing is published in *The International Who's Who of Life Sciences Lawyers 2012*. In addition, Tucker Ellis partner **Richard Dean** is recognized on the list for life sciences, and partner **Charles Socha** is recognized for life sciences and product liability defense.

Mr. Tucker is a specialist in medical malpractice and life sciences product liability, with an emphasis on the defense of pharmaceutical companies, physicians and hospitals, and manufacturers of consumer products. Over the past 35 years, he has defended thousands of cases brought against pharmaceutical companies across the country, and he has been admitted to try lawsuits in more than two dozen state and federal courts. Best Lawyers in America® named Mr. Tucker the Cleveland "Lawyer of the Year" for 2011 in the area of Medical Malpractice. Peers interviewed remark that Mr. Tucker has an "unimpeachable record." In addition to his life sciences top 10 recognition, Mr. Tucker is included on the list for product liability defense.

Mr. Dean is a trial lawyer specializing in complex litigation. He has tried pharmaceutical, antitrust, and business litigation cases nationally for nearly 40 years.

Mr. Socha's 40 years of products liability litigation experience includes medical device and drug liability, toxic torts, and complex multi-district litigation. He has handled cases involved in mass tort litigation in all 50 states.

"It's a privilege to work with such remarkable talent and people. Just when I thought everything that could be said about Bob's expertise and character had been said, he gets named one of the top 10 life sciences attorneys in the world," said Joe Morford, the firm's Managing Partner. "Being able to call attorneys like Bob, Dick, and Chuck our Partners and friends is one of the things that makes Tucker Ellis special. Their skill, dedication, and passion for the practice of law warrants recognition."

Nominees for the prestigious designation were selected based upon comprehensive, independent survey work with both general counsel and life sciences lawyers in private practice worldwide. Researchers canvassed and analyzed the opinions of law firm clients and life sciences lawyers to reveal global leaders in their field. Only specialists who meet independent international research criteria are listed.



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