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Barnes & Thornburg Team Lauded By James Magazine For Government Affairs Work

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ATLANTA – Barnes & Thornburg and members of its Atlanta government services team have been recognized in *James Magazine*'s annual ranking of top governmental affairs firms and registered lobbyists.

The firm has been named a Top 50 Governmental Affairs Firm, while W. Murphy Talmadge and Zachary Johnson, both directors of state government affairs in the Atlanta office, were named Top Registered Lobbyists. Anne B. Compton-Brown, an associate in the Atlanta office, was named a Rising Star. *James Magazine* surveyed over 16,500 magazine subscribers, lobbyists and government affairs specialists throughout the state to develop the rankings.

Barnes & Thornburg's Government Services and Finance team represents and promotes the interests of businesses, governments and trade associations at the federal, state and local levels. Attorneys and lobbyists in the group advise on regulatory, administrative, lobbying and government finance matters.

Murphy Talmadge provides clients with strategic guidance for their corporate, public policy and public affairs objectives. He works with clients on procurement opportunities, legislative consulting, issue management, political action committee (PAC) management strategies, grassroots programs and media strategies.

Zachary Johnson assists state agencies, governments and higher education institutions with their government procurement and strategic sourcing efforts. Johnson is one of just a few Certified Purchasing Agent in Georgia and was recently selected as a member of Georgians First Commission's task force committee on State Procurement for Small

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