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PIRKEY BARBER AWARDED U.S. TRADEMARK PROSECUTION FIRM OF THE YEAR – SOUTH

Firm Shortlisted in Other Trademark Categories at both the National and Regional Levels

AUSTIN, TEXAS (April 2, 2014) — Global publication *Managing Intellectual Property* named Pirkey Barber PLLC as the U.S. Trademark Prosecution Firm of the Year — South at its seventh annual North America Awards ceremony held recently in Washington, D.C.

The firm was also one of five considered on the shortlist for Trademark Contentious Firm of the Year in both the National and Southern Regions. For the second consecutive year, founding Partner Louis Pirkey was among five of Texas' top intellectual property law litigators considered for the Texas IP Litigator of the Year.

“We are honored to be named among the top trademark law firms in the country again this year,” said Steve Meleen, Managing Member of Pirkey Barber. “We sincerely appreciate *Managing IP*'s recognition for expertise in trademark protection.”

Managing IP awarded Pirkey Barber U.S. Trademark Contentious Firm of the Year — South in 2013.

Managing IP, a part of the Euromoney Legal Media Group, recognizes and honors outstanding intellectual property firms and legal professionals in the United States and Canada each year at its annual North America Awards. Following six months of analysis by its researchers, a short list of firms is selected in various categories viewed to have had outstanding years. Award winners are selected from these short lists.

About Pirkey Barber PLLC

Pirkey Barber is one of the few firms in the United States specializing exclusively in the field of trademark, copyright and unfair competition law. Founded in 2006, the firm's lawyers have represented clients in hundreds of cases in the United States in federal court, before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and under ICANN's dispute resolution policies. Clients include many Fortune 500 companies as well as universities and small businesses. Pirkey Barber counsels clients on all aspects of trademark and copyright law. For more information, please visit: www.pirkeybarber.com.

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