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Shumaker Expands with Addition of Board Certified Lawyer F. Gant McCloud

SARASOTA, FL – Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP is pleased to announce that F. Gant McCloud, Board Certified in Wills, Trusts & Estates by the Florida Bar, has joined Shumaker as a partner in the Trusts and Estates practice group.

“Gant is a tremendous addition to our already robust Sarasota Trust and Estates team,” said Sarasota Managing Partner and Management Committee Member Jennifer Compton.

Gant specializes in the practice areas of estate planning, taxation, estate administration, probate, and trust administration. Clients find value in his Board Certification, which is the highest level of evaluation by the Florida Bar, identifying attorneys who have substantial experience, knowledge, skills, and proficiency in the certified area of practice, as well as ethics and professionalism in the practice of law. He is one of less than 0.4 percent of all Florida attorneys to earn this certification, which defines him as an expert in the preparation of wills, trusts, and related estate planning documents.

Gant counsels his clients to help them achieve their specific tax and estate planning goals and he represents individuals in planning for the distribution of family wealth and the minimization of estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer taxes. In addition, he also assists clients with business succession planning and related business entity transactions, as well as will contests and trust and estate litigation matters.

Gant is rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell®. The AV Preeminent rating is the highest rating awarded by Martindale-Hubbell® and is a testament to the fact that Gant’s peers rank him at the highest level of professional excellence. Gant has also received the Martindale-Hubbell® Gold Client Champion award in recognition of his commitment to client service. Less than 1 percent of all attorneys have qualified to receive the award.

Gant is a graduate of Duke University, where he received his Bachelor of Arts (A.B.) with a double major in Political Science and Music. He earned both his Juris Doctor (J.D.) and Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation, with honors, from the Northwestern University School of Law.

Prior to making his home in Sarasota, Gant practiced in the trusts and estates departments of international

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and national law firms in Chicago and Philadelphia. He maintains licenses to practice law in Florida, Illinois, and Pennsylvania. In addition, Gant is admitted to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States. Gant is also a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ professional (CFP® professional).

Founded in 1925, Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP is a full-service law firm with more than 260 lawyers and seven offices in Toledo and Columbus, Ohio; Tampa and Sarasota, Florida; Charlotte, North Carolina; Charleston, South Carolina; and Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Shumaker is a premier provider of quality legal services. Whether it's commitment to clients or work in the community, involvement lies at the core of all of Shumaker's initiatives.