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## **TUCKER ELLIS PARTNER RITA MAIMBOURG NAMED CLEVELAND LAWYER OF THE YEAR**

Cleveland, Ohio, October 10, 2012 – Tucker Ellis is proud to announce that Best Lawyers® has named Partner **Rita Maimbourg** the “2013 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year” in the practice area of Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions - Defendants. Only a single lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area is honored as the “Lawyer of the Year,” making this accolade particularly significant.

Ms. Maimbourg, co-chair of the Tucker Ellis medical & pharmaceutical liability practice, is a trial lawyer who devotes the majority of her professional time to the defense of drug and device manufacturers, health care institutions, physicians, and nurses. Her practice takes her to federal and state courts throughout the country, and she has tried cases to verdict in Ohio and Illinois.

“Rita has a remarkable passion for the practice of law, as evidenced by her many professional achievements,” said Tucker Ellis Managing Partner Joe Morford. “We all congratulate her on this outstanding recognition as a Cleveland Lawyer of the Year – a particularly meaningful award since it comes from her peers.”

Ms. Maimbourg is the recipient of numerous professional honors, including “Top 50 Women Ohio Super Lawyers®,” “Top 25 Women Cleveland Area Super Lawyers®,” and Best Lawyers® “2012 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year” in Medical Malpractice Law. She is a life member of the Judicial Conference of the Eighth Judicial District of Ohio, a member of the Judicial Selection Committee of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, and a Master Bencher of the William K. Thomas Inn of Court. Ms. Maimbourg was named a Woman of Note by *Crain’s Cleveland Business* and is also a member of the Leadership Cleveland Class of 2011.

Best Lawyers conducts exhaustive peer-review assessments with thousands of leading lawyers each year and bestows the “Lawyer of the Year” honor on those attorneys with particularly impressive voting averages. Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, their professionalism, and their integrity.

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