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## Tucker Ellis Partner Rita Maimbourg Admitted to American College of Trial Lawyers

Cleveland, Ohio (October 31, 2012) – The law firm of Tucker Ellis is proud to announce that partner **Rita Maimbourg** has become a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, one of the premier legal associations in America.

The induction ceremony at which Ms. Maimbourg became a Fellow took place before an audience of approximately 1,070 people during the recent 2012 Annual Meeting of the College in New York City.

"This international accomplishment recognizes that Rita is at the top of our profession, and honors her career of hard work, excellent results, and incredible skill," said Jeffrey Healy, chair of the trial department at Tucker Ellis. "We congratulate her on her induction into the American College of Trial Lawyers."

Founded in 1950, the College is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship in the College is extended by invitation only and only after careful investigation to those experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility, and collegiality. Lawyers must have a minimum of fifteen years trial experience before they can be considered for Fellowship.

Membership in the College cannot exceed one percent of the total lawyer population of any state or province. There are currently approximately 5,838 members in the United States and Canada, including active Fellows, Emeritus Fellows, Judicial Fellows (those who ascended to the bench after their induction), and Honorary Fellows. The College strives to improve and elevate the standards of trial practice, the administration of justice, and the ethics of the trial profession. Qualified lawyers are called to Fellowship in the College from all branches of trial practice. They are carefully selected from among those who customarily represent plaintiffs in civil cases and those who customarily represent defendants, those who prosecute accused of crime, and those who defend them. The College is thus able to speak with a balanced voice on important issues affecting the legal profession and the administration of justice.

Ms. Maimbourg was recently recognized as Best Lawyers® 2013 Cleveland Lawyer of the Year in the area of Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants. She is a Master Bencher of the William K. Thomas Inn of Court, a member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association Judicial Selection Committee, and a life member of the Judicial Conference of the Eighth Judicial District of Ohio. A graduate of Case Western Reserve University School of Law, she has been practicing in the city for 31 years, and is an alumna of Leadership Cleveland Class of 2011.

## About ACTL

For more information about the American College of Trial Lawyers, please contact Executive Director Dennis J. Maggi, CAE by email at <a href="maggi@actl.com">dmaggi@actl.com</a> or by telephone at 949-752-1801.

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