

PRESS RELEASE

Arnall Golden Gregory Names Six New Partners for 2016

ATLANTA – Arnall Golden Gregory LLP is pleased to announce that six attorneys have been promoted to partner.

AGG is committed to rewarding young lawyers who consistently produce the highest quality work.

The new partners are:

[Matthew M. Brohm](#). Mr. Brohm advises clients on a wide-range of corporate and transactional matters in the healthcare industry, including mergers and acquisitions, affiliations, joint ventures, due diligence, and general contracting. He graduated from the University of Georgia with a BBA in accounting and from Syracuse University College of Law, *cum laude*.

[Andrew H. Ellis](#). Mr. Ellis represents public and private corporations, private equity funds, financial advisors, and boards of directors in mergers and acquisitions and other strategic transactions, including tender offers, reorganizations, private placements, cross-border and distressed M&A. He also regularly advises on securities compliance and governance matters. Mr. Ellis graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Southern California, where he earned B.A. degrees in philosophy and political science and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and from the University of Virginia School of Law.

[J. Ryan Hood](#). Mr. Hood represents physicians, hospitals and nursing homes in litigation matters including claims of medical negligence, and individuals and corporations facing both criminal and civil allegations under the False Claims Act and other statutory schemes. He also conducts internal corporate investigations focusing on compliance issues. Mr. Hood graduated from the University of Georgia with a BBA in finance, *magna cum laude*, and from Georgia State University College of Law.

[Theresa Y. Kananen](#). Ms. Kananen focuses her practice on employment litigation and on litigation and regulatory matters in the payments industry. She counsels and trains employers and represents them in a full range of employment litigation, including claims involving discrimination and harassment, wage and hour issues, restrictive covenants, the Family and Medical Leave Act, employee benefits, and employment contracts. Ms.

Kananen graduated from the University of North Carolina with B.A. degrees in English and Spanish, *honors and highest distinction*, and from the University of Georgia School of Law.

[Chesley S. McLeod](#). Mr. McLeod focuses his practice in the area of complex commercial litigation and arbitration, particularly representing clients involved in contract disputes, business torts, class and collective actions, insurance coverage and recovery disputes, employment litigation, and fiduciary disputes. He is a member of the Atlanta International Arbitration Society (AtIAS) and has served on AtIAS's legislative committee. Mr. McLeod graduated from the University of Georgia with a BBA, and from Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law, *cum laude*.

[Michael L. Van Cise](#). Mr. Van Cise counsels high net worth individuals and families with sophisticated wealth transfer planning, federal and state wealth transfer taxation, international estate planning, business succession planning, charitable giving, probate and estate administration. Mr. Van Cise graduated from Mercer University with a B.A. in history, *summa cum laude*, and from the University of Georgia School of Law, *magna cum laude*. He is licensed to practice in Florida as well as Georgia.

ABOUT ARNALL GOLDEN GREGORY LLP

Arnall Golden Gregory, with more than 160 attorneys in **Atlanta** and **Washington, DC**, employs a "business sensibility" approach, developing a deep understanding of each client's situation in order to find a customized, cost-sensitive solution. A past honoree on The National Law Journal's prestigious Midsize Hot List of forward-thinking law firms, AGG advises on corporate, litigation and regulatory matters for numerous industries, including business services, healthcare, life sciences, logistics and transportation, real estate, franchising, information services, energy, and manufacturing. AGG is a solutions partner that subscribes to the belief "not if, but how."