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## **COUNSEL ON CALL WINS PRESTIGIOUS LOCAL AWARDS**

**Company wins category in ‘Best In Business’ Awards and will soon become a Nashville Area Chamber Future 50 HOF Member**

**Nashville, Tenn.** – Counsel On Call will be inducted into the Nashville Area Chamber Future 50 Hall of Fame, it was announced today. The Future 50 is an annual recognition program celebrating the 50 fastest-growing, privately owned companies headquartered in Middle Tennessee and companies that make the list five times become Hall of Fame members.

The Future 50 announcement comes on the heels of Counsel On Call winning the *Nashville Business Journal’s* ‘Best In Business’ award for companies of 1 to 25 employees (on July 25). The ‘Best In Business’ award recognizes entrepreneurial companies and nominees were judged by a panel of independent local businesspeople and on past and future growth projections.

The Future 50 are identified through a nomination form, which includes questions about a company’s past and projected sales and employment growth. To be eligible, companies must be privately owned, headquartered in Middle Tennessee, have 10 or more employees or annual revenue of at least \$500,000, and anticipate revenue and employment growth of 10 percent or more per year for the next three years. The nominations are collected by the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce and tabulated by KraftCPAs, the official accounting firm of the Future 50 Awards.

“This year’s competition was made especially difficult by the high number of applications we received — as a matter of fact, the highest in almost four years,” said Charles Sueing, president of The Sueing Agency, Nationwide Insurance & Financial Services and chairman of the Chamber’s small business council. “It goes to show the strength of these companies, despite the challenges of a less-than-perfect economy.”

“It’s always satisfying to be recognized by peers and professionals for whom I have so much respect for, and it’s also very humbling,” said Jane Allen, president and founder of Counsel On Call. “It’s especially meaningful for our very talented and dedicated team to be recognized for the work they’ve done over the years.”

Counsel On Call will be inducted into the Future 50 Hall of Fame at a reception and awards dinner on Thursday, September 18, 2008 at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel.

### **About Counsel On Call**

Counsel On Call connects the nation’s leading law firms and corporate legal departments with highly skilled and experienced attorneys available on an as-needed basis. Serving clients across the country, the company offers a unique attorney-owned-and-operated perspective that provides successful business solutions to a wide variety of legal work, from litigation support to specialized practice areas, on a short- or long-term basis.

Headquartered in Nashville, Tenn., Counsel On Call has additional offices in Atlanta, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago and Memphis. Founded by Jane Hanner Allen in 2000, the company has experienced significant growth since its inception and has been named to *Inc.* magazine's list of the 500 fastest-growing privately held companies in the U.S. three times. For more information, visit [www.counseloncall.com](http://www.counseloncall.com).

#### **About the Nashville Area Chamber**

The Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce is Middle Tennessee's largest business federation. Together with its affiliates, the Nashville Chamber works to strengthen the region's business climate and enhance Nashville's position as a desirable place to live, work and visit. For more information, visit the Chamber's Web site at [www.nashvillechamber.com](http://www.nashvillechamber.com).

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