



For Additional Information:

Robert Latz  
Brown & Ruprecht, PC  
(816) 292-7000

**Stephen S. Brown, Matthew M. Merrill and G. Steven Ruprecht  
Named "Best of the Bar" by the *Kansas City Business Journal***

(Kansas City, MO – October 1, 2012) - Stephen S. Brown, Matthew M. Merrill and G. Steven Ruprecht, shareholders of [Brown & Ruprecht, PC](#), have been named among Kansas City's "Best of the Bar" by the *Kansas City Business Journal*, recognizing outstanding lawyers throughout the Kansas City area as chosen by their peers.

To arrive at the results, letters were mailed to active lawyers in the metro area asking for votes, and e-mail reminders were sent to past participants. Lawyers were urged to look outside the walls of their firms, and no one could make the list based solely on votes from in-firm colleagues. A panel of area lawyers reviewed the list of top vote-getters as a final check of honorees' reputations and professional standings.

END