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CONNER & WINTERS ATTORNEY NAMED AS ROCKY MOUNTAIN MINERAL LAW FOUNDATION TRUSTEE

TULSA – (April 4, 2008) Stephen R. Ward, a shareholder in the Tulsa, Oklahoma office of Conner & Winters, LLP, has been named as a trustee of the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, one of the nation's largest educational foundations dedicated to natural resources laws and policy issues.

Mr. Ward has a legal practice that focuses on federal Indian law, environmental law, and energy law. He has assisted the Foundation for several years with the development of programs and also with the publication of the Foundation's Gower Federal Service—Royalty Valuation and Management.

Organized in 1955, the Denver-based Foundation is an educational organization dedicated to providing scholarly research of the laws and issues affecting domestic and international mineral and water resources. The Foundation has a large membership in the western United States, including Oklahoma.

The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees, which currently consists of representatives from law schools, bar associations, mining and oil and gas associations, and of trustees-at-large, who are selected from attorneys, landmen, law professors, and government representatives prominent in natural resources, past presidents, and honorary trustees.

Mr. Ward graduated from law school in 1990. He served a year as a judicial law clerk to a federal district judge and for two years as a law clerk to the chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Mr. Ward joined Conner & Winters in 2002. In addition to his practice, he is active in a number of Indian law activities and organizations. He currently serves as General Counsel of the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma (O-Gah-Pah).

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