

## FISHER PHILLIPS' ATTORNEY NAMED EMERGING LEGAL LEADERS FINALIST

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**COLUMBIA, SC (January 25, 2011)** - Karen Luchka Wingo, an associate in the Columbia office, was a finalist to receive the inaugural *South Carolina Lawyers Weekly's* Emerging Legal Leader award. The honor is given to attorneys who have been in the profession 10 years or less and have already made a lasting impact in both their field and their communities. *South Carolina Lawyers Weekly* accepted nominations for the award and then selected 18 top finalists from the pool of nominees.

"Luchka plays an important role in work with Fisher Phillips clients in South Carolina and nationwide representing management," says Jonathan Pearson, managing partner of the Columbia office. "She's an asset when it comes to a broad range of employment litigation and employment law as a member of our firm's Healthcare Practice Group, and we are pleased with this recognition she's earned."

She serves as a resource on labor and employment law issues for the Firm's clients by offering counseling and advice, as well as representing management and employers in employment litigation. Karen regularly lectures at seminars on the Family and Medical Leave Act, legal ethics, wage and hour issues, harassment, social networking and technology, and other employment topics. She has authored numerous articles in the area of employment law.

In addition to serving on the Board of Directors for the Girl Scouts of South Carolina: Mountains to Midlands, Karen continues the mission of inspiring today's girls to become tomorrow's leaders through contributions on the Governance Committee, Nominating Committee and Development Committee. She is also Chair of the Council's Women of Distinction Event, an annual event that honors women in the

Midlands who have achieved excellence both in their careers, as well as through their service to our community.

"It is an honor to be nominated and recognized in the company of such a qualified group of finalists," said Karen.

She formerly practiced under the name Karen Gieselman.