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**TWO SAUL EWING PARTNERS NAMED “LEGAL ELITE” IN WASHINGTON,
D.C. BY *SMARTCEO* MAGAZINE’S READER’S POLL**

(Washington, D.C., December 21, 2011) – Saul Ewing LLP is pleased to announce that Mark I. Gruhin and Edward R. Levin, members of the firm’s Business and Finance Department and co-office managing partners of the firm’s Washington, D.C. office, have been named to *SmartCEO* Magazine’s list of “Legal Elite” for 2011.

Gruhin is a business lawyer and entrepreneur with an extensive amount of general corporate experience in venture capital, private equity, M&A, securities regulation, government contracts, financial transactions and investments in real estate and closely held corporations. His practice focuses on all industries with a particular emphasis on emerging growth, high technology and biotechnology. Gruhin is co-chair of the firm’s Venture Capital/Private Equity Practice. In addition to his practice, Gruhin has co-founded and been involved in several start-up businesses, including Careerbuilder.com. This is the fourth year he has been named to the list.

Levin represents employers in a variety of businesses and industries in the full range of labor and employment law matters, including counseling and human resource policy development, labor negotiations, arbitrations and union organizing campaigns. He litigates cases involving trade secrets and non competition matters, discrimination, wrongful discharge, sexual harassment and related claims in state and federal courts across the U.S. Outside of his legal work, Levin has served on numerous boards of civic, educational and charitable organizations.

Gruhin holds his law degree, *magna cum laude*, from American University Washington College of Law and his undergraduate degree, with honors, from Rutgers University. Levin holds his law degree from the University of Virginia School of law and his undergraduate degree from Brown University.

Saul Ewing LLP is a full service law firm with 240 lawyers in 10 offices in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Delaware, New York and the District of Columbia. The firm serves businesses throughout the United States and internationally, including recognizable names in corporate America, exciting start-ups and an array of closely held and privately held companies, as well as nonprofits, governmental and educational entities.