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Seyfarth Shaw Chicago Partner Honored by Chicago Lawyer Magazine

CHICAGO (May 10, 2011) — Seyfarth Shaw LLP Chicago partner Anita Ponder was recently named to *Chicago Lawyer* magazine's eighth annual edition of "Chicago Women in Law." This year the special supplement featured 12 women attorneys, honoring them for their impact on the Illinois legal community. Ponder's selection is based on nominations received from the magazine's survey of her peers and members of the legal community.

Ponder was lauded for her deep experience as "one of the state's most accomplished lawyers" in the government contracts arena, as well as for her extensive involvement in the community, serving on "a litany of organizations and agencies throughout her legal career." She was also praised as being a sought-after lecturer, having spoken to various corporations, businesses, bar associations and government agencies.

Ponder concentrates her practice in government contracts, government procurement and government relations. She represents major corporations, mid-sized and small businesses as well as government agencies. Her law practice focuses on advising bidders and contractors on government regulations, laws, policies and legislation; preparing responsive bid proposals, small business subcontracting plans, bid protests and equitable contract claims; drafting and negotiating contracts; resolving contract disputes; obtaining contract payments; facilitating contract compliance, including assisting clients to meet contract participation goals for small businesses; representing contractors in suspension and debarment proceedings; certification eligibility of disadvantaged, minority, women and small business; and structuring competitive strategic alliances and relationships between majority- and minority-owned businesses.

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