

Butler Snow gives \$50,000 to Birmingham Museum of Art to mark law firm's growing Birmingham presence

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Butler Snow gave the Birmingham Museum of Art 50,000 at an event at the Museum. (file)

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama – **Butler Snow** law firm is hosting an event at the **Birmingham Museum of Art** tonight as an official welcome of the firm's expansion into Birmingham, with a guest list that includes the mayor, governors and other elected officials and capped by a \$50,000 donation to the museum.

"Butler Snow has long supported the arts in the communities we serve and we're pleased to make this contribution today," Don Clark Jr., chairman of Butler Snow, said in a release.

Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley, Birmingham Mayor William Bell and former Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour were among those scheduled to

attend tonight's event. Butler Snow is based in Ridgeland, Miss., and Barbour is a member of the firm.

"Having a healthy arts culture helps build robust communities throughout Alabama and we appreciate this generous commitment from Butler Snow," Bentley said in the release.

The Birmingham Museum of Art intends to use the donation to expand its outreach programs.

"We are thrilled to be part of Butler Snow's vision of helping the arts and the community and this gracious donation will certainly help us further our mission of providing unparalleled cultural and educational experiences," Gail Andrews, director of the Birmingham Museum of Art, said in the release.

Tonight's event, which was also scheduled to include former U.S. Rep. John Tanner, also a member of the firm, was also meant to celebrate a major expansion of the firm into Birmingham.

Now based in an expanded office in the Two North Twentieth office building in downtown Birmingham, the Magic City office of Butler Snow recently added 19 attorneys, boosting the presence to 24 attorneys.

The growth **primarily came from attorneys formerly with the now dissolved Johnston Barton Proctor and Rose law firm**.

"This was one of many reasons that we were drawn to Butler Snow," said Bill Rose Jr., now a leading member of Butler Snow's Birmingham office. "Butler Snow has a great heritage of making an impact in the communities they serve and we are glad to be leading this charge in Birmingham."

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