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Hughes Hubbard Tops AmLaw's 'A-List' Once Again

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Hughes Hubbard leads *The American Lawyer's* "A-List" – a list of the nation's most elite law firms – for the second year in a row. The magazine cited the firm's "sustained excellence" behind the achievement in its July/August issue and stated the list aims "to identify firms that represent the all-around best." Hughes Hubbard first made the A-list one year after the magazine started publishing it, in 2003, and has been consistently ranked since 2006 – rising to second place in 2009 and 2010 and to first place in 2011.

"We are thrilled with this," HHR Chair Candace Beinecke told the firm after announcing the news on June 20. "Our two years as No. 1 on the A-List reflect critical aspects of our firm," she said. "Above all, topping the A-List reflects our ability to continue to earn our clients' trust to handle their most significant matters. Their needs are our needs, and our lawyers tend to be happiest when engaged on our clients' most important and interesting work."

The magazine calculates total scores for each A-List firm with a formula that assigns a number from one to 200 for RPL, pro bono, diversity and associate satisfaction, based on how the firm ranked in each category among The Am Law 200. "The A-List ranking measures our success as a firm in more than just dollars. So do we," Beinecke told the magazine. "Every one of the A-List factors is a priority for us and has been long before it was measured," Beinecke said.