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Balch & Bingham, LLP Expands Governmental Affairs Practice **Metro Atlanta Chamber VP, Terry Chastain Joins Firm**

(Atlanta) Balch & Bingham LLP announced the addition of Terry Chastain as a Counsel to the firm's Governmental Relations Practice Group. Mr. Chastain moves to Balch & Bingham from the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce & Affiliates, where he was Vice President of Government Affairs.

Prior to his Chamber tenure, Chastain was a longtime aide to former Georgia Congressman Mac Collins. Chastain has years of experience working with state and federal government. He has worked as the Chairman and Executive Director for Get Georgia Moving, Executive Director of Southeastern Economic Alliance, Campaign Manager for Chuck Clay for Congress, and also worked in Government & Scientific Affairs for United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association.

Chastain received his Bachelor's of Arts degree in History from The University of Georgia and a Juris Doctorate from Georgia State University.

Mr. Chastain is a member of the American Bar Association and the Georgia Bar Association, as well as the Georgia Economic Developers Association and Georgians For Better Transportation. He is past treasurer for the Committee for A Better Atlanta and a parishioner for All Saints Catholic Church.

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