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**AG STRANGE, STATE BAR PRESIDENT COPELAND  
ANNOUNCE WINNERS OF ALABAMA LEGAL FOOD FRENZY**

MONTGOMERY – Attorney General Luther Strange and Alabama State Bar President Lee H. Copeland announced the winners of the Alabama Food Frenzy, a competition this spring among law firms to benefit food banks throughout the state. Altogether, the equivalent of more than 140,000 pounds of food was collected for Alabama food banks.

The Attorney General joined with the Alabama State Bar and the Alabama Food Bank Association to sponsor this important event. The law firm or legal organization that collected the most pounds of food per employee receives The Attorney General’s Cup, with other honors awarded in categories based on the firm’s size.

“Alabama law firms are founded on the desire to make a difference, and I knew they would share my desire to brighten the lives of families in need,” said Attorney General Strange. “Public service is a fundamental principle of the legal profession and I can think of no one more dedicated to helping improve the lives of Alabamians than my colleagues among the state’s law firms. Together, the law firms of Alabama have demonstrated how much they care about those most in need and acted to help stamp out hunger.”

With more than 50 firms and legal organizations participating, the Alabama Legal Food Frenzy’s first year exceeded the expectations of the event’s coordinators and participants.

“Thanks to the efforts of lawyers, legal professionals and legal support personnel across the state, we were able to make a huge impact in the lives of citizens within in our own communities,” said Alabama State Bar President Lee H. Copeland of Copeland, Franco, Screws & Gill, P.A. (Montgomery). “This was a wonderful first year for this event and we can only hope to grow on this success.”

The winners of the Alabama Legal Food Frenzy are:



- AG's Cup – **Maynard, Cooper and Gale (Huntsville)** (373.43 pounds per person, for a total of 20,165), *Food Bank of North Alabama*
- Solo (1-2)
  - Most pounds and most pounds/person – **Annette M. Carwie, Attorney at Law** (42 total pounds), *Feeding the Gulf Coast*
- Small law firm (3-20)
  - Most pounds – **Prim & Mendheim, LLC** (4,957.50 total pounds), *Wiregrass Area United Way Food Bank*
  - Most pounds/person – **Lewis, Feldman, Lehane & Snable, LLC** (366.41 pounds per person, for a total of 2,931), *Community Food Bank of Central Alabama*
- Medium law firm (21-40)
  - Most pounds – **Bressler, Amery & Ross, PC** (6,375.00 total pounds), *Community Food Bank of Central Alabama*
  - Most pounds/person – **Bressler, Amery & Ross, PC** (159.38 pounds per person, for a total of 6,375), *Community Food Bank of Central Alabama*
- Large law firm (40+)
  - Most pounds – **Sirote & Permutt, PC** (24,523.75 total pounds), Multiple cities
  - Most pounds/person – **Maynard, Cooper and Gale (Huntsville)** (373.43 pounds per person, for a total of 20,165), *Food Bank of North Alabama*
- Legal Organizations
  - Most pounds – **Alabama State Bar** (6510 total pounds), *Montgomery Area Food Bank*
  - Most pounds/person – **U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Alabama, Western Division** (275.63 pounds per person, for a total of 2,756), *West Alabama Food Bank*

“I want to thank these law firms, and everyone who participated, for coming together to fight hunger in our state,” said Attorney General Strange. “I encourage our citizens to join in this essential endeavor. Many do not realize that the summer months are actually a time of great hardship, particularly because schools are closed and there is no access to school lunches for those who are deprived. I ask Alabamians to contribute what they can to foodbanks across the state to help our less fortunate neighbors during this difficult time.”

**UPDATE:**

- *Spirit of Excellence Award – Hill, Hill, Carter, Franco, Cole & Black, P.C. (190.25 pounds per person, for a total of 6659), Montgomery Area Food Bank.*