

Brown & Brown, Inc. Announces a 1.3% Increase in Second-Quarter Net Income

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Brown & Brown, Inc. (NYSE: BRO) today announced that it earned net income for the second quarter of 2010 of \$41,185,000, or \$0.29 per share, an increase of 1.3% from the \$40,668,000, or \$0.29 per share, reported for the quarter ended June 30, 2009. Total revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 2010 was \$243,665,000, compared with 2009 second-quarter revenue of \$246,369,000.

Total revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2010 was \$495,938,000, compared with total revenue for the first half of 2009 of \$509,949,000. Net income for the six-month period ended June 30, 2010 was \$85,313,000, or \$0.59 per share, compared with \$88,680,000, or \$0.63 per share for the same period of 2009.

J. Powell Brown, President and Chief Executive Officer of Brown & Brown, Inc., noted, "The insurance marketplace continues to bump around. Exposure units and insurance premium rates remain 'soft' with no significant changes anticipated in the foreseeable future. The increase in our quarterly earnings in the face of such a challenging environment is a tribute to the dedication and ability of our decentralized local office teams."

Brown & Brown, Inc. and its subsidiaries offer a broad range of insurance and reinsurance products and services, as well as risk management, third party administration, managed health care, and Medicare set-aside services and programs. Providing service to business, public entity, quasi-public entity, individual, trade and professional association clients nationwide, the Company is ranked by Business Insurance magazine as the United States' sixth largest independent insurance intermediary. The Company's Web address is www.bbinsurance.com.

This press release may contain certain statements relating to future results which are forward-looking statements, including those relating to future financial results and to acquisition opportunities. These statements are not historical facts, but instead represent only the Company's current belief regarding future events, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and outside of the Company's control. It is possible that the Company's actual results, financial condition and achievements may differ, possibly materially, from the anticipated results, financial condition and achievements. Further information concerning the Company and its business, including factors that potentially could materially affect the Company's financial results and condition, as well as its other achievements, are contained in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Some factors include: general economic conditions around the country; downward commercial property and casualty premium pressures; the effects of legislative and regulatory changes in Florida pertaining to the insurance industry, including those relating to may acquire in the future and the failure to realize the expected benefits of such integration; the potential occurrence of a disaster that affects certain areas of the States of California, Florida, Indiana, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and/or Washington, where significant portions of the Company reactices with respect to compensation received from insurance carriers. All forward-looking statements made only as of the date of this release, and the Company does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or correct any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that subsequently occur or of which the Company hereafter becomes aware.

Brown & Brown, Inc. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited) For the Three Months For the Six Months Ended June 30 Ended June 30
2010 2009 2010 2009
REVENUES Commissions and fees \$ 241,053 \$ 244,595 \$ 491,727 \$ 508,559 Investment income 346 460 677 770 Other income (loss), net 2,266 1,314 3,534 620
Total revenues 243,665 246,369 495,938 509,949
EXPENSES Employee compensation and benefits 121,372 122,625 243,555 249,966 Non-cash stock-based
compensation1,7801,6953,7353,511Other operating expenses33,62235,62069,95571,484Amortization12,65012,51925,20324,904

Depreciation 3,129 3,299 6,382 6,632 Interest 3,632 3,632 7,240 7,266 Change in estimated acquisition earn-out payables (533) - (1,229) _____ Total expenses 175,652 179,390 354,841 363,763 ----- ------ ------Income before income taxes 68,013 66,979 141,097 146,186 Income taxes 26,828 26,311 55,784 57,506 ----- -----\$ 41,185 \$ 40,668 \$ 85,313 \$ 88,680 Net income Net income per share: Basic \$ 0.29 \$ 0.29 \$ 0.60 \$ 0.63 Diluted \$ 0.29 \$ 0.29 \$ 0.59 \$ 0.63 Weighted average number of shares outstanding: Basic 137,685 136,939 137,654 136,937 Diluted 139,105 137,304 138,937 137,261 Dividends declared per share \$ 0.0775 \$ 0.075 \$ 0.155 \$ 0.150 Brown & Brown, Inc. INTERNAL GROWTH SCHEDULE Core Commissions and Fees(1) Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 (in thousands) (unaudited) Quarter Quarter Total Total Less Internal Internal Ended Ended Net Net Acquisition Net Net 6/30/10 6/30/09 Change Growth% Revenues Growth\$ Growth% ----- -----Florida Retail \$ 42,320 \$ 43,910 \$ (1,590) (3.6)% \$ 19 \$ (1,609) (3.7)% National Retail 80,093 78,638 1,455 1.9 % 3,078 (1,623) (2.1)% Western Retail 23,885 24,459 (574) (2.3)% 1,558 (2,132) (8.7)% ----------Total Retail 146,298 147,007 (709) (0.5)% 4,655 (5,364) (3.6)% ----------Wholesale Brokerage 41,385 41,409 (24) (0.1)% 434 (458) (1.1)% Professional Programs 9,343 9,734 (391) (4.0)% - (391) (4.0)% Special Programs 27,854 30,893 (3,039) (9.8)% 188 (3,227) (10.4)% ----------Total National Programs 37,197 40,627 (3,430) (8.4)% 188 (3,618) (8.9)% -----Services 9,729 8,259 1,470 17.8 % 1,442 28 0.3 % ----------Total Core Commissions and Fees \$ 234,609 \$ 237,302 \$ (2,693) (1.1)% \$ 6,719 \$ (9,412) (4.0)% (1)_____ ___ ___ Reconciliation of Internal Growth Schedule to Total Commissions and Fees

Included in the Consolidated Statements of Income for the Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands) (unaudited) Quarter Quarter Ended Ended 6/30/10 6/30/09 -----Total core commissions and fees(1)\$ 234,609 \$ 237,302Contingent commissions6 4446 806 - -Contingent commissions 6,444 6,806 **Divested business** 487 _____ Total commission & fees \$ 241,053 \$ 244,595 _____ (1) Total core commissions and fees are our total commissions and fees less (i) profit-sharing contingent commissions (revenue derived from special revenue-sharing commissions from insurance companies based upon the volume and the growth and/or profitability of the business placed with such companies during the prior year), and (ii) divested business (commissions and fees generated from offices, books of business or niches sold by the Company or terminated). Brown & Brown, Inc. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited) June 30, December 31, 2010 2009 -----ASSETS Current assets: \$ 293,011 \$ 197,113 Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash and investments 145,848 155,257 Short-term investments 8.135 8,213 Premiums, commissions and fees receivable 233,597 209,462 - 11,791 Deferred income taxes Other current assets 28,670 31,863 -----Total current assets 709,261 613,699 Fixed assets, net 60,074 61,467 Goodwill 1,103,998 1,074,397 Amortizable intangible assets, net 457,939 468,862 Other assets 5,540 5,801 -----Total assets \$ 2,336,812 \$ 2,224,226 LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities: Premiums payable to insurance companies \$ 356,355 \$ 310,296 Premium deposits and credits due customers 34,437 37,715 Accounts payable 24,704 17,431 Accrued expenses and other liabilities 82,820 96,387 Current portion of long-term debt 5,766 17,124 -----504,082 478,953 Total current liabilities Long-term debt 250,000 250,209 Deferred income taxes, net 124,667 115,609 Other liabilities 18,969 9,581 Shareholders' equity: Common stock, par value \$0.10 per share; authorized 280,000 shares; issued and outstanding 142,224 at 2010 and 142,076 at 2009 14,222 14,208 Additional paid-in capital 273,781 267,856 **Retained earnings** 1,151,088 1,087,805 Accumulated other comprehensive income 5 3 -----

Total shareholders' equity 1,439,094 1,369,874

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity \$2,336,812 \$2,224,226

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