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WITT MARES A “SUPER CPA”

Newport News, VA (November 24, 2009) – The Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants (VSCPA) and Witt Mares, PLC – a regional accounting and consulting firm serving clients throughout the Mid-Atlantic – are pleased to announce that a total of 20 CPAs with the firm have been named to *Virginia Business Magazine's* Super CPA list for 2009. Those Witt Mares' CPAs – along with the category in which they were recognized – include:

- Edward T. Blair, CPA, Small Business Consulting
- Thomas R. Brooks, CPA, Assurance Services
- David E. Bush, CPA, CFP, PFS, Personal Financial Planning
- Michael S. Haigh, J.D., LL.M., CPA, Estate Planning and Trusts
- Darrell W. Harris, CPA, Financial Managers, CFOs, and Controllers
- Thomas B. Healy, CPA, Employee Benefits
- Denver F. Hicks, Jr., CPA, Government/Non-profit
- Anna M. Hunter, CPA, CPC, QPA, Employee Benefits
- Harvey L. Johnson, CPA, Young CPAs (Under 35)
- Kristen M. Lavender, CPA, Estate Planning and Trusts
- Maria B. Marston, CPA, CIT, Assurance Services
- John M. Murray, CPA, Corporate Tax
- Nancy S. Nunn, CPA/ABV, Business Valuation/Litigation
- James V. Poti, CPA, Employee Benefits
- Richard G. Smith, CPA/ABV, Business Valuation/Litigation
- Michael P. Straus, CPA, Individual Tax
- Melissa H. Tucker, CPA, Individual Tax
- Jackie H. White, CPA, Assurance Services
- Brian Windley, CPA, Government/Non-profit
- Joanne R. Wolfley, CPA, Small Business Consulting

In its ninth year, *Virginia Business* partnered with the VSCPA to develop this special program to highlight Virginia's top certified public accountants for their important contributions to the CPA profession and the prosperity of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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Virginia Business sent an official ballot to more than 7,000 Virginia CPAs asking them to identify the names of peers they considered to be the best at their craft. After the ballots were counted, 270 winners were selected in 12 categories and were highlighted in a special “Super CPAs” report in the November 2009 issue of *Virginia Business*.

To view a complete list of the winners or to view the “Super CPA” section of *Virginia Business*, visit the magazine’s website at www.virginiabusiness.com and click on the November 2009 issue. For a complete list of VSCPA members recognized in the contest, visit www.vscpa.com.

About Witt Mares, PLC

With a long history dating back to 1979, Witt Mares, PLC is a regional public accounting and business consulting firm headquartered in Newport News, VA. The firm also has offices in Fairfax, Richmond, Norfolk, and Williamsburg. Witt Mares provides its clients a broad range of business services in the areas of audit and accounting, tax planning and preparation, pension plan design/administration, merger and acquisition consulting and investment management.

About VSCPA

The Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants (VSCPA) is the leading professional association dedicated to enhancing the success of CPAs. Founded in 1909, the VSCPA has 8,700 members who work in public accounting, industry, government and education. The VSCPA is celebrating its Centennial anniversary this year — marking 100 years of an organized CPA profession and statewide organization uniting and representing CPAs across the Commonwealth. For general information, please visit the Press Room on the VSCPA website at www.vscpa.com, e-mail vscpa@vscpa.com or call (804) 270-5344. To search for a CPA in your geographic region, visit www.FinancialFitness.org and click on “Find a CPA.”

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