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Porter Keadle Moore, LLP Promotes Three Staff Members

New Principal, New Manager and New Senior Named

July 14, 2002 – Atlanta, GA - Porter Keadle Moore, LLP (PKM), a full-service accounting and consulting firm and recognized leader in the community banking industry, is pleased to announce three promotions: Deana Folmar, Audit Principal, Michael Morris, Information Technology Manager, and Julie Stevenson, Audit Senior.

“It is always a pleasure to reward associates for demonstrating hard work and dedication to the firm and its clients,” said Debbie Sessions, Chief Operating Officer. “PKM has designed a career track plan that helps guide our employees throughout their professional careers with the firm. These recent promotions prove that this method of guidance pays off, not only for the employees rewarded for their efforts, but also for the firm, which is able to attract and retain high quality professionals.”

Deana Folmar graduated summa cum laude from Troy State University in Alabama with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. She worked two years with an international public accounting firm before joining PKM in 1995. She has extensive experience in providing auditing and financial services to banks and insurance companies. She serves on the Board of Directors of the American Women's Society of Certified Public Accountants and is a member of the Georgia Society of CPAs.

Mike Morris is a graduate of the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and a minor in Business Administration. He also has a Masters of Business Administration with a major in Computer Information Systems from Georgia State University. His previous experience includes three years as an Information Management Consultant with Millican and Associates, Inc. Since joining the firm in 1999, he has successfully completed intrusion testing, SAS 70 reports as well as network, Internet security and general control reviews for data processing servers, banks, and insurance companies.

Julie Stevenson graduated with distinction from the University of Alabama with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and a Master of Accountancy. Prior to joining PKM in 2002, she was a staff accountant at Arthur Andersen. She has experience in the banking, manufacturing, healthcare, automotive and securities industries.

About PKM

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