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Porter Keadle Moore, LLP Recognized for Success in Banking Industry
Local Firm Ranked Among National Public Community Bank Audit Leaders

February 22, 2005 – Atlanta, GA – Porter Keadle Moore, LLP (PKM) was recently included on *Public Accounting Report's* list of Public Community Bank Audit Leaders. The firm ranked 2nd in the nation in terms of revenue audited, and 6th in terms of client share.

“This is a big accomplishment for a firm of our size,” said Phil Moore, PKM Managing Partner. “Despite our relatively small size, PKM works with about 100 community banks throughout the country, ranging in size from \$20 million de novo banks, to banks with over \$5 billion in assets.” The firm has also been ranked for the past two years on *Public Accounting Report's* list of the nation’s Top SEC Audit Firms. “Our banking practice has a lot of variety represented by banks that are both privately held and a large number that are registered with the SEC,” added Moore.

PKM has been serving the banking industry for over 25 years and offers its banking clients a variety of value added services such as peer groups, seminars and other forums for bank executives to exchange ideas, obtain continuing education, and stay abreast of the latest industry developments. “Our specialization in banking benefits both PKM and our clients,” said, Tim Keadle, PKM Partner. “Having such a concentrated depth of industry expertise has made us knowledge leaders and valuable sources of information for our clients. Our size also lets us provide a more intimate level of service to our clients than the larger national firms.”

About PKM

Porter Keadle Moore, LLP (PKM) is a full-service accounting and consulting firm based in Atlanta, Georgia. One of the top CPA firms in the city with seven partners and 52 total staff, PKM offers accounting, auditing, tax and management and information technology consulting services to community banks, the insurance industry, broker-dealers and closely held businesses. For more information visit www.pkm.com or call 404-588-4200.

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