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**KEITER STEPHENS ANNOUNCES ADDITION OF
RICK WHITE TO THE CHARLOTTESVILLE PRACTICE**

Charlottesville, VA (January 4, 2010) – Keiter Stephens is pleased to announce the addition of **Richard Owen White, Jr., CPA** as principal and two members of his client service team to its Charlottesville practice. The addition of these three professionals enhances the Firm’s presence and depth of taxation services available in the Charlottesville area.

Mr. White and his team will move to the Keiter Stephens’ offices which are located in the business section of the Omni Hotel building at 210 Ridge-McIntire Road, Suite 500, in downtown Charlottesville, VA. The client service team members joining Mr. White at Keiter Stephens are: Ryan Boggs and Miki Whitmer, CPA. Each has at least two years prior experience working with Mr. White at Hoffman, White & Company, P.C.

Robert L. Tobey, CPA, Keiter Stephens’ Principal-in-Charge of the Charlottesville practice, is enthusiastic about Rick’s becoming associated with Keiter Stephens; “The addition of Rick White, Ryan Boggs, and Miki Whitmer expands our presence and reach in Charlottesville. I am excited about Rick joining us and what his doing so means to the future of Keiter Stephens’ Charlottesville practice.”

Richard O. White, CPA, Keiter Stephens Tax Principal, described his admission to partner as, “I am looking forward to joining a Firm which offers my client service team, my clients, and me opportunities for strategic growth. While the decision to part from my co-founder, Paul Hoffman, was a difficult one; I believe 2010 will bring many exciting positive changes for all of us.”

About Keiter Stephens: Keiter, Stephens, Hurst, Gary & Shreaves, PC, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, offers a variety of accounting and consulting services. With 20 principals and a total of 131 employees including 59 CPAs, Keiter Stephens is one of the largest CPA firms in central Virginia. Keiter Stephens specializes in serving privately-held businesses and their owners and a growing number of publicly-held companies. A significant focus of its practice is serving clients in the bio-technology, real estate and construction, manufacturing, distribution, service, retail, and not-for-profit industries. The Firm has offices in Richmond and Charlottesville, Virginia. In 2009, Keiter Stephens was one of 25 firms recognized as **Best of the Best Honorable Mention** by INSIDE Public Accounting. The Firm's mission is to deliver quality client service, provide fulfilling careers, and share time and resources to build stronger communities. For more information on Keiter Stephens, please visit www.kshqs.com.

Richard (“Rick”) Owen White, Jr., CPA has 20 years of experience in public accounting providing tax and accounting services for individuals and rapidly growing privately-held businesses in the real estate development and construction, early-stage bio-technology, medical equipment, pharmaceutical, and winery industries. Prior to joining Keiter Stephens, White was a co-founder of Hoffman, White & Company, P.C.

White is a graduate of the University of Virginia and is a co-founder of Charlottesville Business Innovation Council (CBIC). He is also active in the Charlottesville Albemarle Chamber of Commerce.

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