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HIGH POINT – Effective January 1, 2014, **Smith Leonard** announces that it will merge with the accounting firm **Smith McWhorter**, **P.A.** of Lexington, NC to operate under the **Smith Leonard PLLC** name.

Managing Partner Darlene Leonard commented, "The joining of these two firms allows Smith Leonard to expand in two key service areas - real estate and small business services. **Tom Smith** and **Aimee McWhorter** bring tremendous expertise to our firm. Both specialize in tax and accounting services for individuals and privately-held companies, but most importantly both share our core belief of delivering exceptional client service."

Smith Leonard will now have 45 individuals in two locations: its headquarters in High Point and an additional office in Lexington, NC.

About Smith Leonard PLLC

Smith Leonard is a full-service accounting firm located in the Piedmont Triad. Industries of focus include construction, manufacturing and distribution, real estate, retail, small business services, non-profit and transportation. Beyond traditional audit and tax services, specialties include business consulting, mergers and acquisition support, employee benefit plans, international services, and family wealth planning. Their affiliation with the BDO Alliance provides an international network that connects clients

to a variety of additional resources. Smith Leonard has been named one of the Best Accounting Firms to Work For by Accounting Today for 2010-2013.

Please visit www.smithleonardcpas.com for more information on the capabilities of this growing practice and to find out more about the newest team members.

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