

Press Release

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Ewing Bemiss & Co. Announces Promotions

Richmond, Virginia — March 17, 2005 *Ewing Bemiss & Co.* is pleased to announce the promotion of Keith W. Mumford and James H. McGrath, IV to Director, and Leslie E. Hudson to Vice President. “These professionals have been instrumental to the firm’s growth and success, and we look forward to their continued contributions to the Firm,” said Hugh Ewing, President, *Ewing Bemiss & Co.*

Keith W. Mumford, Director — Mumford specializes in private placement and merger and acquisition services to companies in the healthcare industry. Prior to joining *Ewing Bemiss & Co.* in 1999, he worked for *NationsBank's Global Corporate Finance Group* and *Trigon Healthcare, Inc.* (now *Anthem, Inc.*). Mumford is a graduate of *Vanderbilt University* (BA in Mathematics) and the *Darden School of Business* at the *University of Virginia* (MBA).

James H. McGrath, IV, Director — McGrath specializes in private placement and merger and acquisition services to companies in the business and technology services industries. Prior to joining *Ewing Bemiss & Co.* in 1999, he was an associate with *Hogan & Hartson* and *Hunton & Williams*. McGrath is a graduate of the *University of Virginia* (BA/JD), where he was elected to *Phi Beta Kappa*, the *Order of the Coif*, and the *Virginia Law Review*.

Leslie E. Hudson, Vice President — Prior to joining *Ewing Bemiss & Co.* in 2001, Hudson held a variety of marketing, strategic and corporate development positions. She is a graduate of *Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University* (BA) and the *Darden School of Business* at the *University of Virginia* (MBA), where she earned the *Landmark Scholarship* and *Faculty Award for Academic Excellence*.

Ewing Bemiss & Co. is a financial advisory firm focused on delivering superior service and optimal results to middle market companies (\$10 - \$200 million in value). Since its 1992 founding, it has brought to bear its extensive transaction experience and relationship orientation for the benefit of clients in numerous manufacturing and services sectors. *Ewing Bemiss & Co.*'s core services include: Mergers and Acquisitions Advisory (*sell side, buy side, fairness opinions*), Private Financings (*equity, subordinated debt, senior debt*) and Advisory Services (*strategic, valuations, financial restructurings*).

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