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October 12, 2009

Dear Fellow CPAs:

On behalf of the South Carolina Association of CPAs, I invite you to become or reconsider membership of the only association dedicated to serving all CPAs in South Carolina. SCACPA is a network of more than 3,850 of your peers who are dedicated to promoting and maintaining the high professional and ethical standards of South Carolina's CPAs, developing and improving accountancy education and protecting the interests of the public and fellow members.

I have been a member of the South Carolina Association of CPAs for more than 20 years and believe I have received more than my money's worth for the dues investment I made in the Association. Below are some benefits to membership you may not have considered.

A recent Wall Street Journal article touts 2009 as "the year of the CFO." SCACPA membership connects you to knowledge, resources and opportunities to help you meet the demands of your business each and every day. We are the leading provider of high-quality live, local and convenient CPE in South Carolina. Membership provides not only substantial discounts on CPE registration fees, but also access to dozens of benefits and resources developed exclusively by our members for our members. Among these benefits are access to publications and information on issues, trends and critical issues facing the profession, the ability to set standards and access to a statewide network of talent.

Now more than ever we are focused on CPAs like you. In 2008 the SCACPA Board of Directors launched the BEGIN Campaign, focused programs and services for CPAs in Business, Education, Government, Industry and Non-profit organizations. While we invite your membership, we welcome your feedback on how the Association can better serve you and the profession. Accordingly we're offering roundtable and "hot topic" workshops for "BEGIN" CPAs, seminars and scholarships for those members seeking employment, and we are targeting BEGIN members' participation in SCACPA committees and task forces.

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My advice to you: Get involved. Keep your professional skills sharp. Continue to reinvent yourself. Don't just become a member – become an active member and make the most of your dues investment. Throughout my membership in SCACPA I have reacquainted myself with some old friends, while making new friends in the profession. I have gained insight of what other CPAs in the state are doing to meet some of the challenges we are all facing today. The seminars and services SCACPA offers provide real value to us in our jobs whether we are in public or private practice. With every seminar I attend, I can truly say that I have learned something that is immediately applicable to me at my job or provides me skills that improve my marketability. Whether the topic is fraud, technology or accounting standards, the subjects will apply to us in our roles as CPAs and trusted business advisors.

As a member of the SCACPA board, I hope you will strongly consider membership. I believe you will find the investment will pay for itself many times over. We look forward to receiving your application and the opportunity to serve you in the future.

Sincerely,

Bratton Fennell, CPA
CFO, Burroughs & Chapin Company
Board Liaison and BEGIN Campaign Chairman

PS – Please enjoy a six-monthly complimentary trial of SCACPA's CPA Report magazine, the bi-monthly publication included as part of membership. To join the Association, simply complete the enclosed application in its entirety, attach payment in full and send it to SCACPA for approval. Should you have additional questions, please visit www.scacpa.org or call (888) 557-4814 (toll-free in SC) or (803) 791-4181.



South Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants 2009 Membership Application - Special BEGIN Rates

SCACPA wants to make becoming a member as convenient as possible! Simply complete the following form and remit to SCACPA with the applicable dues payment and initiation fee via:

📧 Online at: www.scacpa.org ☎ Fax to: (803) 791-4196

✉ Mail to: SCACPA, 570 Chris Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169

PART ONE: CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Nickname: _____

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Gender: Female Male

Firm/Organization: _____

Business Type: Accounting Firm Industry Government Education Other: _____

Street Address: _____ PO Box/Zip Code if different: _____/_____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Bus. Phone: _____ ext. _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Spouse's Name: _____ AICPA Member No.: _____

Please select the address at which you would like to receive SCACPA communication: Home Office

PART TWO: MEMBERSHIP TYPE: check one (refer to page two for membership type descriptions and requirements):

Regular Membership - Licensed CPA in SC (\$99 prorated dues, ~~plus \$35 initiation fee~~ WAIVED THROUGH 11/15!)
SC Certificate No.: _____ Date Issued: _____ How Obtained: Exam Reciprocity Other

If obtained by reciprocity, give original certificate date and state: Certificate No. _____ State: _____

Please select the regular membership category that best describes you:

Public Accounting Government Education Industry Banking Attorney

Fellow-Government Employee, Academic Affiliate or Associate/International Membership (\$99 prorated dues, ~~plus \$35 initiation fee~~ WAIVED THROUGH 11/15!)

Please check one: Government Employee Accounting Educator CPA Licensed in State other than SC

State Certificate No.: _____ State: _____ Date Issued: _____

CPA Candidate (\$49 prorated dues; no initiation fee required): Following graduation from an accredited accounting degree program, this membership category is limited to five years of membership.

Graduation Date: _____ Anticipated Date of Licensure: _____ CPA Supervisor: _____

Professional Affiliate (\$49 prorated dues, plus \$35 initiation fee)

Non-CPA employee of a SC CPA firm or individual practitioner

Student Membership (\$20 annual dues; no initiation fee required)

School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

SCACPA Chapter Dues (Optional): For information, please refer to the reverse side.

Catawba (\$60) Central (\$50) Coastal (\$130) Foothills (\$40) Grand Strand (\$75) Pee Dee (\$50)

Piedmont (\$50) Sea Island (\$135)

Contributions to the SCACPA-PAC or Educational Fund (Optional):

Standard PAC Contribution \$50 Standard Educational Fund Contribution \$50

I hereby certify that the statements above are correct to the best of my knowledge and beliefs and I further certify that I have not been convicted by any court or other body of any crime, misdemeanor or discreditable act since I originally applied to take the CPA examination in South Carolina or for a South Carolina certificate by reciprocity and that any such act prior to the application has been explained to the satisfaction of the S.C. Board of Accountancy, that I have never been suspended or expelled from any professional organization, and that I have not suppressed any information which might have a bearing upon this application. I agree to abide by the decision of the Board of Directors as to this application and I agree, if elected, to be governed by the bylaws and rules of professional conduct of the Association.

Sponsor's Name: _____ SCACPA Membership No.: _____

Signature of Sponsor: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

PART THREE: PAYMENT INFORMATION: Total Amount Due/Authorized: \$ _____

Method of payment: Check (payable to SCACPA) or Credit Card: Visa MasterCard AMEX Discover

Card No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CCV No.: _____

Signature: _____ Name on Card: _____

Billing Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

This application valid through November 15, 2009; after this date, please contact SCACPA for a new application.

Questions? Please call 888.557.4814 (toll-free in SC) or 803.791.4181 or email kswartz@scacpa.org.

We look forward to receiving your application for membership and serving you in the years to come.

SCACPA General Membership Requirements and Definitions

- (a) Good moral character.
- (b) Sponsorship (by signature on the application form) of a member of the Association in good standing.
- (c) Those applying who are engaged in the practice of public accounting as a proprietor, partner, or shareholder or as an employee who has been licensed as a CPA for more than two years, are practicing in firms that are enrolled in SCACPA-approved practice-monitoring programs.
- (d) Members shall complete continuing professional education established by the Board of Directors.

Fellow Members:

Possession of a certificate as a Certified Public Accountant issued under the rules and regulations of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy.

Associate or International Members:

- (1) Possession of a certificate as a Certified Public Accountant issued by a state, District of Columbia, a territory or possession of the United States of America, or a similar certificate issued by a foreign body having responsibility for governing accounting and auditing matters, or
- (2) Completion of examination for obtaining a license as a Certified Public Accountant regardless of fulfilling any requirements with respect to experience, or
- (3) Employment in an accounting capacity, pursuing CPA certification, and supervised by a member of the association.

Professional Affiliate Members:

Non-CPA employee of a South Carolina CPA firm or individual practitioner.

CPA Candidate Members:

- (1) Obtained an accounting degree from an accredited program.
- (2) Approved applicant for the Uniform CPA Examination actively pursuing their certificate and licensure.
- (3) Employment in an accounting capacity, pursuing CPA certification, and supervised by a member of the association.

This membership category is limited to five years.

Academic Affiliate Members:

Non-CPA teaching accounting-related subjects at the college or university level.

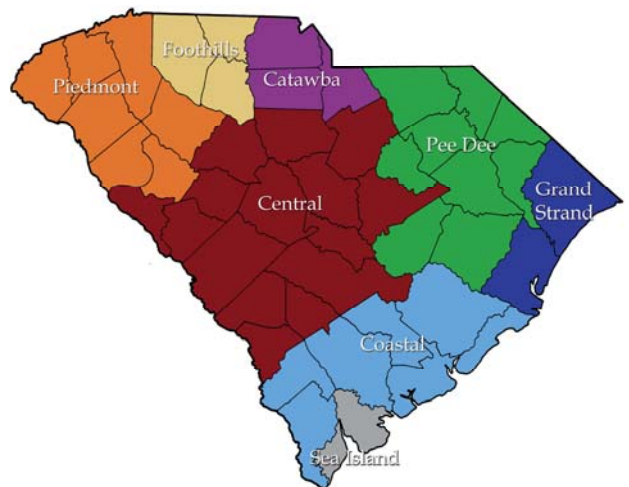
Student Members:

- (a) Enrolled full-time (12+ hours per semester) at the college or university level in an accounting program.
- (b) Sponsorship (by signature on the application form) of a member of the Association in good standing OR faculty or staff member at their college or university.

SCACPA Chapter Network

As a member of SCACPA, you are eligible to join one of SCACPA's eight regional chapters, based on the county in which you live or work. Chapters are an integral part of SCACPA and facilitate networking and educational opportunities throughout the state. **Chapters are...**

- Affiliates of the Association;
- A source for nominees for SCACPA membership awards;
- A vehicle to develop relationships with area legislators, regulators and other professionals;
- **Catawba Chapter:** Chester, Lancaster and York counties
- **Central Chapter:** Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Edgefield, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, McCormick, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Saluda and Sumter counties
- **Coastal Chapter:** Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton and Jasper counties
- **Foothills Chapter:** Cherokee, Union and Spartanburg counties
- **Grand Strand Chapter:** Georgetown and Horry counties
- **Pee Dee Chapter:** Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Lee, Marion, Marlboro and Williamsburg counties
- **Piedmont Chapter:** Abbeville, Anderson, Greenville, Greenwood, Laurens, Oconee and Pickens counties
- **Sea Island Chapter:** Beaufort county
- Important in the recruitment of members;
- Responsible to SCACPA's Board of Directors; and
- Included in the Association's annual financial audit.



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