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Weaver Merges with Delong Consulting Services, L.C. Expands compliance and risk management service offerings to financial institutions

DALLAS-FORT WORTH, Texas (June 8, 2012) – Weaver, the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, announces the merger with Delong Consulting Services, L.C. (Delong) effective June 1, 2012. This merger enhances Weaver's expertise in the financial services industry, particularly in the banking sector.

Founded in 1996 by Bill Delong, CPA and president, Delong provides outsourced regulatory compliance, internal audit and information technology (IT) audit services to banking institutions throughout Texas. The Delong team's focus includes asset/liability reviews, regulatory compliance, internal audit, FDICIA and Sarbanes-Oxley testing and Bank Secrecy Act/Anti-Money Laundering reviews. The firm's IT services focus on general control reviews and other IT-dependent regulatory reviews, including IT security and risk management.

"We are excited to have Bill and his staff join the Weaver team. They bring to the firm extensive experience working with banks and offer expanded expertise and services that we can provide to banks across Texas," said Tommy Lawler, managing partner and CEO for Weaver. "This merger also supports our growth strategy in the financial services space."

Bill Delong joins Weaver as a partner. His team, including 11 staff members, will join the Weaver offices in Dallas and Fort Worth.

"Our clients will greatly benefit from the additional resources and depth of services that Weaver provides," said Bill Delong. "This merger better positions us to serve a growing number of banks across Texas. It will also allow us to continue building upon the long-term relationships we have with our current clients, and to provide them with the personal attention they have come to know and expect."

Prior to establishing his own firm, Bill Delong's 40-year career included senior vice president and audit director positions at Team Bank and First Gibraltar Bank. His management responsibilities included financial, operational, compliance, trust and information system auditing, as well as management of numerous complex financial and operational projects. Delong also served as the assistant general auditor at Bank One Corporation, responsible for audits of subsidiary banks and non-IT subsidiaries. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Franklin University in

Columbus, Ohio and is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin's Graduate School of Banking. His professional memberships include the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Institute of Internal Auditors.

About Weaver

Originally founded in 1950, Weaver currently has approximately 450 employees and offices in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Midland, Odessa and San Antonio. Weaver is ranked the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest by *Accounting Today* magazine. The firm is also ranked the 38th largest firm in the United States by *INSIDE Public Accounting* and the 45th largest firm by *Accounting Today*.

Weaver serves a broad range of clients including large national and international companies, public and privately-held businesses, nonprofit organizations and governmental entities. In addition to traditional assurance and tax services, Weaver also provides numerous advisory services, including risk advisory; transaction advisory; IT advisory; forensic accounting; litigation support; international; property tax; state and local tax; and estate planning services. In addition, the firm provides registered investment advisory services through Weaver Wealth Management. Learn more at www.weaverllp.com.