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Weaver Named to *INSIDE Public Accounting's* 'Best of the Best Firms for 2014'

DALLAS-FORT WORTH, Texas (September 10, 2014) – <u>Weaver</u>, the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, announces that the firm received *INSIDE Public Accounting* (*IPA*) magazine's 2014 Best of the Best firms recognition.

"We are very proud to be among those named an *IPA* Best of the Best firm," said Tommy D. Lawler, Weaver's managing partner and CEO. "Our employees work very hard, and this is truly a firm-wide success."



This recognition honors 50 firms that demonstrate long-term consistency and exceptional performance, as well as operational excellence. More than 540 firms from all over the country participated in the 24th *IPA* Annual Survey and Analysis of Firms. The IPA 2014 Best of the Best firms stand out as well-managed and well-executed examples of how to succeed. Firms receiving this recognition range in size from 20 people to more than 2,000 people.

"The *IPA* Best of the Best firms represent the pinnacle of high-performing firms in the United States. Each firm demonstrates the right combination of vision, planning, training and execution to deliver superior performance," said Michael Platt, principal of the Platt Group and publisher of the accounting trade publication, *INSIDE Public Accounting*. "We congratulate this year's Best of the Best and welcome them to this exclusive group of high-performing firms."

"The success of the Best of the Best firms is a tribute to their leadership and staff," said Kelly Platt, publisher of *INSIDE Public Accounting*. "These firms' enviable performance provides a model to others to better understand and implement winning strategies to run a more successful firm. We salute all Best of the Best firms and are proud to bestow this honor upon them from *INSIDE Public Accounting*."

The special section titled, "The 2014 *IPA* Best of the Best Firms" that lists the top 50 firms in alphabetical order, published in the September 2014 issue of *INSIDE Public Accounting*.

About Weaver

Originally founded in 1950, Weaver currently has approximately 500 employees and Texas offices in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Midland, Odessa and San Antonio. The firm also operates in Denver, Colo., and Stamford, Conn. 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*.

Weaver serves a broad range of clients including public and private national and international companies, nonprofit organizations and governmental entities. In addition to traditional assurance and tax services, Weaver also provides numerous advisory services, including energy compliance and consulting; risk advisory; transaction advisory; IT advisory; forensic and litigation support; international tax; property tax; state and local tax; and wealth strategies services. Learn more at <u>www.weaver.com</u>.