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Weaver Promotes Six Professionals to Partner
*John DeBurro, Brandon Drews, Jackie Gonzalez, Margaret Wallace,
John Wauson and John Weihe*

DALLAS-FORT WORTH, Texas (September 16, 2016) – [Weaver](#), the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, announces the promotions of the following professionals to partner: [John DeBurro](#), assurance services; [Brandon Drews](#), tax and strategic business services; [Jackie Gonzalez](#), assurance services; [Margaret Wallace](#), tax and strategic business services; [John Wauson](#), risk advisory services and [John Weihe](#), assurance services.

“We are pleased to promote these members of our Weaver family to partner,” said John J. Mackel III, Weaver’s managing partner and CEO. “Each of them has demonstrated strong technical ability and leadership during their time with the firm, and they continue their commitment to provide outstanding service to our clients. We look forward to seeing their continued growth and leadership in their service lines and locations as they take on their new roles as partners.”



[John DeBurro](#), CPA
Partner, Assurance Services; Dallas

John DeBurro joined Weaver in 2004 and has more than 18 years of experience managing and performing audits for municipalities and other governmental entities. He manages annual financial audits and prepares audit reports for governmental entities, all of which receive the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) award; and researches proper accounting for complex transactions, assisting clients with the implementation of new accounting standards. His extensive government and nonprofit experience makes him a sought-after speaker for industry conferences and trainings. A certified public accountant, DeBurro is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), the Texas Society of Public Accountants (TSCPA) and the Dallas chapter, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) special review committee, the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT) and the Texas School Districts Annual Accounting and Auditing Conference planning committee. He earned a Master of Science degree in accounting from New Hampshire College and a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the University of New Hampshire.



[Brandon Drews, CPA](#)
Partner, Tax and Strategic Business Services; Austin

Brandon Drews joined Weaver in 2009 as a senior associate and has more than a decade of experience in public accounting, with a focus on tax compliance and planning for individuals and privately held businesses. He is experienced in international, multistate and local tax compliance matters and has significant experience in the manufacturing, wholesale/retail, real estate and services industries. A certified public accountant, Drews is a member of the AICPA, the TSCPA and the Austin chapter, the Real Estate Council of Austin and Austin Young Chamber of Commerce. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural economics from Texas A&M University.



[Jackie Gonzalez, CPA](#)
Partner, Assurance Services; Fort Worth

Jackie Gonzalez joined Weaver in 2004 and has 12 years of experience in performing and leading complex financial statement and compliance audits for governmental, nonprofit, retail and wholesale distributor industries. An active member of a wide array of professional associations and charitable organizations, Gonzalez often presents on topics related to public sector accounting and auditing practices and standards. She is a member of the AICPA, the TSCPA and its not-for-profit study group and the Fort Worth Chapter, GFOA where she serves on its special review committee, and GFOAT. Her civic involvement includes sitting on the finance committee and board of directors for Presbyterian Night Shelter, and she is a member of Junior League of Fort Worth. Gonzalez earned a Master of Business Administration degree, specializing in accounting and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting from Texas Wesleyan University.



[Margaret Wallace, CPA](#)
Partner, Tax and Strategic Business Services; San Antonio

Margaret Wallace joined Weaver in 2009 and has more than 20 years of experience in public accounting, as well as industry experience. She concentrates on federal taxation and wealth strategies consulting for individuals, closely held businesses and estates and trusts primarily for companies in the retail, oil and gas and real estate industries. Wallace is a member of the AICPA, the TSCPA and the San Antonio chapter and the Estate Planners Council of San Antonio. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Texas A&M University.



[John Wauson, CPA](#)
Partner, Risk Advisory Services; Dallas

John Wauson joined Weaver in 2006 and has more than 10 years of public accounting and risk advisory experience. He focuses on enterprise risk management, entity and process level risk assessments, outsourced and co-sourced internal audit, business process improvement, Sarbanes-Oxley Section

404 compliance and fraud prevention. Wauson has extensive experience working with both public and private businesses in the upstream oil and gas, manufacturing/distribution, healthcare, and hospitality industries, as well as a variety of public sector and nonprofit organizations. He is a member of the AICPA and the TSCPA, where he is the immediate past chairman of the Young and Emerging Professionals Committee, as well as the Institute of Internal Auditors and the Council of Petroleum Accountants Societies (COPAS). He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting at the University of Oklahoma.

[John Weihe](#), CPA

Partner, Assurance Services; Houston



John Weihe joined Weaver in 2014 and has more than 12 years of public accounting experience, including 10 years of Big Four experience. He focuses on integrated audits under the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) standards, international engagement coordination, revenue recognition accounting, impairment assets, stock-based compensation, inventory accounting and Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filings.

Weihe also has experience in Sarbanes-Oxley compliance evaluations for clients in the energy, oilfield services, manufacturing, software, real estate and construction industries. Weihe is an active member of the AICPA and the TSPCA and the Houston chapter. He earned a Master in Professional Accounting degree and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from The University of Texas at Austin.

About Weaver

Founded in 1950, Weaver currently has 600 employees and offices in nine cities across the United States. Weaver is ranked the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest by *Accounting Today* magazine. The firm is also ranked the 39th largest firm in the United States and a '2015 Best of the Best Firm to Watch' by *INSIDE Public Accounting*.

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