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Weaver and HSSK Merge to Expand Forensics, Litigation and Valuation Practice

HOUSTON, TEXAS (May 30, 2019) – National certified public accounting firm [Weaver](#) announced that on June 1, 2019, it will merge in the dispute, litigation and valuation firm HSSK, LLC, expanding Weaver’s ability to provide forensic accounting, investigation, litigation support and valuation services to clients. Weaver is already known for its work in these areas, and the expanded practice brings HSSK’s highly regarded capabilities and reputation to the forefront. Three partners and more than 20 other professionals from HSSK will join Weaver as part of the Financial Advisory Services practice.

For more than 40 years, HSSK professionals have provided valuation, litigation consulting and financial restructuring services to the corporate, legal and professional communities. The firm has assisted clients in litigation and disputes by providing valuation, consulting and expert witness services, including addressing liability and damage issues. HSSK has also quantified and articulated the value of business and intangible assets for financial reporting, taxation, transaction and corporate planning purposes, and provided bankruptcy and financial restructuring services.

Weaver’s COO for Assurance and Advisory Services, David Rook, CPA, said, “With this merger, our combined forensics, litigation and valuation practice will be one of the largest in Texas. The move builds our advisory service line and adds top talent in three of our existing markets — Austin, Dallas and Houston.”

“HSSK’s values, leadership styles and technical capabilities align well with ours,” added Weaver CEO John Mackel, CPA, “and we’re excited about the new capabilities we’ll be able to offer clients and the new opportunities that will arise for our leaders and team members.”

The three new partners joining Weaver from HSSK are:

Jared Jordan, CFE, will lead Weaver’s newly expanded Forensics and Litigation Services practice. Formerly a managing director at HSSK, Jared has 20 years of experience assisting clients with the financial aspects of disputes and investigations, including serving as an expert witness. He analyzes damage claims, performs fraud and financial forensics investigations,

values businesses and intangible assets, and assesses corporate governance practices and internal controls for a wide variety of clients. Jared currently serves on the Advisory Council for the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

Curt Germany, Jr., CVA, will lead Weaver's Valuation Services practice. Formerly a managing director at HSSK, he has more than two decades of experience in valuation, mergers and acquisitions; corporate finance advisory; and private equity investments with an emphasis on middle-market companies. Since 2008, Curt has focused on valuation engagements and fairness/solvency opinions across many industries.

Mike Hill, Jr., FASA, CPA, ABV, will be a partner in the Valuation Services practice. Mike focuses on valuations of business and intangible assets across a wide range of industries. His 28 years of experience include valuations for estate planning, tax compliance, financial reporting, corporate planning, ESOPs, divorce and corporate disputes, and fairness/solvency opinions. Mike is a Fellow of the American Society of Appraisers, has served on the ASA Board of Governors, and is a Past Chairman of the ASA's Business Valuation Committee.

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About Weaver

Weaver has built a nationwide presence on an unwavering commitment to its clients' success, acting with integrity and always striving to transcend expectations. The firm has grown to be the 37th largest firm in the United States, according to *INSIDE Public Accounting*; it is also ranked the largest independent accounting firm based in the Southwest by *Accounting Today* magazine. Weaver employs more than 750 people in offices from New York City to Los Angeles.

From Fortune 500 multinational companies to start-ups, Weaver's clients include commercial, government and nonprofit organizations. The firm is particularly well known in the financial services, energy, manufacturing and distribution, construction, technology, real estate and health care industries, as well as the public sector. Weaver services go beyond traditional assurance and tax services to include risk advisory, transaction advisory, IT advisory, energy compliance and consulting, forensics and litigation, valuation, and transaction advisory services, and specialty tax services such as international tax, state and local tax and private client services. Learn more at www.weaver.com.