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Weaver Expands Real Estate Practice with the Addition of Richard Edwards, Managing Director

HOUSTON, TEXAS (December 17, 2019) – National certified public accounting firm Weaver, one of the 35 largest public accounting firms in the United States, announced today that Richard (Rick) Edwards has joined the firm to expand the depth and capabilities of its real estate service offerings. With over 15 years of experience valuing a wide range of real estate assets across the U.S. and internationally, Edwards will be a managing director leading the real estate valuation group.

“Real estate has always been an important part of Weaver’s practice,” said CEO and Managing Partner John Mackel. “With Rick’s broad international experience, we’ll be able to expand our real estate services to more clients, with more different kinds of properties, in more countries. We’re excited to see the practice grow under his leadership.”

Before joining Weaver, Edwards was the founder and managing partner of Greystone Realty Group, a Dallas-based real estate valuation and consulting firm, and a senior vice president who co-led Houlihan Lokey’s real estate valuation and advisory practice. He has experience in analysis and valuation across many different property types, from resorts in Barbados to industrial properties in Europe, South America and India. He has provided real estate valuation

analysis for financial reporting, trust and estate, portfolio valuation, fairness opinions for mergers and acquisitions, and leasehold analyses. Edwards will be based in Weaver's Dallas office.

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