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LOCKE LIDDELL & SAPP ELEVATES NINE ASSOCIATES TO PARTNERSHIP STATUS

Dec. 16, 2002 – Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP has elevated nine associates to partner level, effective January 1, 2003:

From the Austin office:

- Jennifer Rangel, who focuses her practice on healthcare, administrative and corporate.

From the Dallas office:

- Brian Colao, who focuses his practice on commercial litigation.
- Charles Phipps, who focuses his practice on intellectual property and litigation.
- April Terry, who focuses her practice on litigation.
- Karin Torgerson, who focuses her practice on product liability and commercial litigation.
- Jeff Wallace, who focuses his practice on business taxation.

From the Houston office:

- David Montgomery, who focuses his practice on finance, real estate and banking.
- Andy Mouer, who focuses his practice on corporate and securities.
- Kevin Peter, who focuses his practice on corporate and securities.

Established in 1891, Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP is recognized as one of the leading law firms in Texas and throughout the nation. A full service law firm with offices in Austin, Dallas, Houston and New Orleans, Locke Liddell & Sapp has more than 400 lawyers who represent a broad range of businesses and individual clients having extensive domestic and foreign business interests.