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**ELLIOTT DAVIS, LLC SHAREHOLDER INSTRUCTS AT NATIONAL ACCOUNTING
WORKSHOP**

*Todd Mitchell Instructs at American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)
“Retaining and Developing Women Leaders: Organizational Strategy Workshop in
Chicago, Ill.*

GREENVILLE, S.C., Sept. 17, 2008 – Elliott Davis, LLC, one of the Southeast’s largest accounting and business advisory firms, announced that Todd Mitchell, shareholder and past managing shareholder, recently served as an instructor at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)’s inaugural “Retaining and Developing Women Leaders: Organizational Strategy Workshop,” Sept. 9-10, 2008 in Chicago, Ill.

The AICPA, the national professional organization for all U.S. Certified Public Accountants, established the workshop through its Women’s Initiatives Executive Committee to address the issues of staff retention and succession planning - the top two concerns cited among public accounting firms in the 2007 AICPA/PCPS MAP Survey.

Mitchell was a co-instructor in front of the audience of more than 30 accounting industry leaders. The workshop stressed the importance of developing talented women leaders in the accounting profession from the standpoints of business profitability and sustainability, while the hands-on sessions taught firm leaders how to create a women’s initiative customized for each participating firm in order to drive strategies for retaining and advancing their women leaders.

Mitchell has 27 years of public accounting experience, including five years as managing shareholder of top-50 firm Elliott Davis. At Elliott Davis, Mitchell championed the firm’s Women In Leadership initiative that produced significant changes in the firm’s culture, resulting in the firm being recognized as one of the top workplaces in South Carolina.

“This workshop is focused on the business case that supports implementing women’s initiatives in most professional service firms, including public accounting firms, across the country,” said Mitchell. “Unintended biases in many organizations lead to the unintended consequence of much lower numbers of women leaders in these firms than is healthy or desired. We are providing not only the reasons for change, but also the steps to be taken and tools to implement a successful initiative,” added Mitchell.

Editor’s Note: Photo Attached.

ABOUT TODD MITCHELL, CPA, MBA

Todd R. Mitchell, shareholder and former managing shareholder of Elliott Davis, is located in the Greenville office where he is also a member of the strategic advisory services group. Mitchell’s primary emphasis is in mergers and acquisitions, with a focus on analysis of transaction projected results, transaction structuring, negotiation assistance, and business plan refinement. He is experienced in strategic planning facilitation and business advisory services, including debt

restructuring, financial operation turnarounds and refinement, financial forecasting and transaction valuations.

Mitchell was Elliott Davis' managing shareholder from 2003 to 2008, to the firm's executive committee in 2000, and founded the firm's strategic advisory services group in 1992.

Mitchell was with Shenkin Kurtz Baker & Company, P.C., Englewood, Colorado from 1985 to 1992 where he was the director of the financial consulting group and a member of the company's board of directors. He began his career in 1981 with Coopers & Lybrand, Denver, Colorado. He was a tax supervisor when he left the firm in 1985.

Mitchell graduated summa cum laude from Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Mich., where he received a bachelor's degree in accounting and economics. He received his master's degree in business administration from Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind..

Currently a certified public accountant in South Carolina, Mitchell is affiliated with the following professional organizations: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Major Firms Group and the Women's Initiatives Executive Committee member), South Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants, Editorial Advisory Board and member of the CPA Practice Management Forum. Mitchell also serves as immediate past chairman of the board of directors for Communities In Schools of Greenville County and the vice president of the board of governors for Thornblade Club.

ABOUT ELLIOTT DAVIS, LLC

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In fulfilling its mission, the AICPA works with state CPA organizations and gives priority to those areas where public reliance on CPA skills is most significant. For more information, visit www.aicpa.org.

