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Gleason & Associates Welcomes Lesic, Higgins

Pittsburgh, PA, October 27, 2011 – Gleason & Associates, P.C., a specialized accounting and financial consulting firm, adds two new staff members to its Pittsburgh-based professional services team.

Kyrstin A. Lesic joins the firm as a Staff I Consultant. She will assist the firm's strategic practice areas, including engagements related to forensic accounting and intellectual property. Lesic completed an internship with the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office, where she assisted detectives with fraud investigations. In addition, she served as a staff accountant at a small Pittsburgh firm. She has experience in accounts payable, budgets, accounts receivable, and tax preparation. Lesic is a graduate with honors from Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting. Also, she is pursuing her Master of Science degree in Fraud and Forensics at Carlow University.

Patrick M. Higgins becomes a permanent team member after serving as an intern with the firm for nearly a year. Higgins is a Staff I Consultant and supports many of the firm's financial consulting engagements, providing accounting and business analysis assistance. In this role, he assists with financial report analysis, database development, and with the preparation of client reports and exhibits. Before joining the firm, he was employed as a lead specialist with Education Management Corporation. Higgins earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting from the University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown campus. There, he held a leadership position with the Men's Lacrosse team and was a member of the Accounting and Finance Club.

Gleason & Associates, P.C. is a certified public accounting firm that provides specialized financial consulting and economic advisory services to attorneys, corporate finance professionals, and investors. Based in Pittsburgh, PA, the firm offers independent, insightful financial analyses and opinions in the following practice specialty areas: litigation support, intellectual property, financial reorganization, forensic accounting, business valuations, and trust management and consulting. Gleason's services incorporate deep industry experience and technical business sophistication to deliver reliable, relevant, and defensible results.

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