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**William T. “Ted” Mason III, CPA, CGMA**

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POSITION	President and Chief Executive Officer
EDUCATION	Bachelor of Science in Accounting, University of New Orleans Graduate School of Banking of the South, Louisiana State University
CERTIFICATIONS	Certified Public Accountant Certified Global Management Accountant
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants, <i>Peer Review Committee and Financial Institution Committee, Former Member</i>
CIVIC AFFILIATIONS	Christ Episcopal School, <i>Former Board Treasurer</i> Christwood Continuing Care Retirement Community, <i>Board Chair</i> St. Paul’s School, <i>Former Board Chair and Former Treasurer</i> St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation, <i>Former Treasurer and Past President</i> St. Tammany Industrial and Economic District, <i>Former Board Member</i> St. Tammany West Chamber, <i>Former Board Member</i>
RANGE OF EXPERIENCE	<p>As president and CEO of LaPorte, Ted is responsible for setting the strategic direction and overseeing the day-to-day management of the firm. He also facilitates strategic planning for firm clients.</p> <p>Since assuming leadership of LaPorte in 2002, Ted has led the firm through unprecedented growth – from a \$6M, 40-person professional accounting firm to a \$26.8M, 175-person firm. Under his leadership, LaPorte has also added three new offices and is now represented in Metairie, Baton Rouge, Covington, and Houma, Louisiana, and in Houston, Texas.</p> <p>Ted also positioned LaPorte to become a member of the RSM US Alliance of 100 leading independent accounting firms across the country, and he is very active in the alliance, leveraging the value of the RSM US (formerly McGladrey) relationship, helping identify valuable national and international resources, and staying on top of industry trends.</p> <p>Ted began his professional career with LaPorte in 1980. He has provided auditing, accounting, and taxation services to clients, with a focus on serving the construction</p>

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and financial institutions industries. Six years later, he left LaPorte to serve for five years as chief financial officer of a \$200 million financial institution. During this time, he gained significant experience in areas such as mergers and acquisitions, initial public offerings, and strategic business plan development. Ted returned to LaPorte in 1991.

## HONORS

*New Orleans CityBusiness Money Makers 2012*