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AWSCPA ANNOUNCES NEW NATIONAL SECRETARY

DAYTON, OHIO (AUGUST 2003) – The American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants is pleased to announce the election of Mary Cheaney to national secretary for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

Mary has operated her own practice in North Miami Beach, Florida since 1990, focusing on planning for real estate developers and small business owners. A former Internal Revenue Service agent, Mary graduated from Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina in 1977 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting after receiving a \$20,000 IRS academic scholarship.

A member of the South Florida affiliate of AWSCPA, she has held every position on the board of directors for the affiliate. Mary is also a member of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA), the Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA), the National Associate of Women Business Owners (NAWBO), and Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW). Mary recently served as President of the Educational Foundation for Women in Accounting (EFWA), a non-profit organization co-founded by the AWSCPA over 35 years ago, whose mission is to empower women through education. In addition, she recently completed a term on the Board of Directors, including Chairman, for Women in Distress of Broward County, the only accredited domestic violence treatment center in the county.

AWSCPA, organized in 1933, is the only national organization committed to the development and advancement of women CPAs in the accounting profession. For its members, AWSCPA provides:

- Resources and support for personal and professional development
- Opportunities for leadership participation, networking and mentoring
- Visibility and recognition for the organization and its members
- Leadership in addressing the concerns of women in the accounting profession

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