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AWSCPA ANNOUNCES RE-ELECTION OF NATIONAL SECRETARY

DAYTON, OHIO (JULY 2004) – The American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants is pleased to announce the re-election of Mary Cheaney to national secretary for 2004-2005.

Mary Cheaney has been operating her own accounting practice in North Miami Beach, Florida since 1990, focusing on planning for real estate developers and small business owners. She has been practicing in public accounting since 1981, after working four years as an Agent with the Internal Revenue Service. Awarded a \$20,000 IRS academic scholarship, Mary graduated from Belmont Abbey College in North Carolina in 1977 with a Bachelors of Arts degree in Accounting. Listing the IRS and two national CPA firms as former employers, she has had extensive experience in the areas of tax planning and compliance.

Mary joined AWSCPA in 1988 and immediately served on the Board of Directors for the South Florida Affiliate. She has served every position on the Board and was the catalyst for a vision-planning task force that revitalized the affiliate in 1995. Other professional associations include the AICPA and FICPA, National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO), and Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW).

This is Mary's second year on the national board as secretary. She has also served as the immediate past-president of the Educational Foundation for Women in Accounting, 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 professional and personal 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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