

**GEORGESON EXPANDS SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM
HIRING NOTABLE EXPERTS TO ENHANCE PROXY FIGHT AND GOVERNANCE TEAMS
Rachel Posner and Rajeev Kumar to bring
extensive proxy, M&A and corporate governance expertise**

New York, Jan. 9, 2008 – Georgeson Inc., a leading provider of strategic proxy and corporate governance consulting services, today announced that Rachel Posner has joined the firm as Senior Managing Director and General Counsel, Corporate Proxy. Rajeev Kumar has also joined as Senior Managing Director, Corporate Governance Research.

“Both Rachel and Rajeev bring a wealth of knowledge and in-depth expertise to a well-established and successful team. By joining Georgeson, these two industry experts will help further our strong position in the marketplace by providing a fresh perspective and innovative approaches to meeting clients’ needs,” said David Drake, President, Georgeson.

Moving forward, Bill Crane continues to lead Georgeson globally as Chairman, Global Corporate Proxy. David Drake continues as President and Joseph Spedale continues in his role as Chief Operating Officer.

Rachel Posner comes to Georgeson from Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP where, as an attorney, she advised Fortune 50 companies and others on proxy contests, mergers and acquisitions and corporate governance matters. She will continue to leverage this experience on behalf of Georgeson clients.

Rajeev Kumar recently served as Director of U.S. Research at RiskMetrics Group, formerly Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS), consulting with Fortune 500, investment advisory and start-up companies on corporate governance matters. He will enhance Georgeson’s consultancy capabilities and expand the team’s industry-leading knowledge base.

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Georgeson Inc. is the world's leading provider of strategic proxy and corporate governance consulting services to corporations and shareholder groups working to influence corporate strategy. Since 1935, Georgeson has specialized in complex solicitations such as hostile and friendly acquisitions, proxy contests and takeover defenses. Georgeson leads more M&A transactions globally than all other firms combined. Georgeson also provides issuers with expertise in corporate events solutions such as post-merger unexchanged holder programs and information agent services. Georgeson is a Computershare company. For more information, visit www.georgeson.com.

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