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### Parente Randolph's Emrich Awarded CITP Designation

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PHILADELPHIA, PA – August 27, 2007 –Robert J. Emrich, Jr., CPA, Director of Corporate Governance & Risk Management, in Parente Randolph's Philadelphia office was just awarded the Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP) credential from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).

A Certified Information Technology Professional is a Certified Public Accountant recognized for their technology expertise and their unique ability to bridge the gap between business and technology. Unlike other certifications that recognize only a narrow scope of skills, the CITP credential recognizes technical expertise across a wide range of business-technology practice areas.

“The CITP credential distinguishes CPA's with expert technology proficiencies,” said Nancy A. Cohen, senior technical manager of IT, AICPA. “Earning this designation certifies Robert's credibility and establishes him as a premier provider of IT services.”

At Parente Randolph, Emrich focuses on planning, coordinating and performing IT examination procedures primarily for the Firm's banking and financial services client base, healthcare consulting and higher education sectors. His areas of expertise include audit planning, internal control assessments and Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 compliance projects.

Emrich earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and Management Information Systems from The Pennsylvania State University and an MBA in Management from LaSalle University. In addition to holding a CITP designation, he is also a Certified Information Systems

Auditor (CISA), Certified Financial Services Auditor (CFSA) and Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE). He is a member of the American and Pennsylvania Institutes of Certified Public Accountants, Institute of Internal Auditors, Information Systems Audit and Control Association, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and Pennsylvania Association of Mutual Insurance Companies.

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