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JamisonMoneyFarmer PC among twelve international firms that met for third annual US German Accounting and Tax Summit in Atlanta

ATLANTA, Georgia – One of Alabama’s largest and respected accounting, tax and advisory firms, JamisonMoneyFarmer PC, met with six other US-based CPA firms from California, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, Oregon, and Wisconsin, and five firms from Germany for the US German Accounting and Tax Summit. Perry Barnett of Rushton and Company, LLC of Gainesville, Georgia acted as host for the event.

The 2015 Summit marks the third annual meeting of the like-minded accounting firms who serve clients in Germany and the United States. Chicago was the host city for the 2013 summit and last year’s summit was just outside of Stuttgart, Germany. These summits were the result of multiple years of discussions of how to best address the needs of the growing multinational, German-owned companies who are investing in subsidiaries in the United States, as well as US companies who are setting up outposts in Germany.

“We feel our offices in Birmingham and Tuscaloosa are uniquely positioned to service the German Mittelstand companies that are investing in Central Alabama due to the expanding MBUSI footprint. For businesses expanding internationally, it is important to secure professional service providers that understand both the international landscape and can help businesses successfully navigate the local environment, rules and tax authorities,” said Viki Gryska, a JamisonMoneyFarmer accountant who is originally from Dresden, Germany and speaks German fluently. Gryska also directs the functions of the firm’s German desk.

As part of an annual gathering of accounting firms with expertise in global business and international tax strategies, the 2015 US German Summit was held May 3-5 at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel near Buckhead. The meeting is an opportunity for member firms to share their expertise in international business trends and tax-law updates.

This year’s summit included a panel discussion on domestic and foreign investments moderated by Tracy Moon, partner with Fisher & Phillips, LLP. Thomas A. Strauss, Southern regional director of the U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration, discussed U.S. outbound investments in countries overseas. Nico Wijnbert of the international division of Georgia’s Department of Economic Development provided an overview of foreign business investment trends in the United States.

“I believe the Crowe Horwath Deutschland firms are pleased to see the progress that we have made over the last several years. We are on our third employee exchange, and are providing clients with bilingual personnel to better address their US or German tax and accounting related needs,” said Bobby Ingram, a JamisonMoneyFarmer shareholder who is heavily involved in the JMF International Practice Group.

The seven US-based CPAmerica International firms were AKT, Brickley DeLong, Gray, Gray & Gray LLP, JamisonMoneyFarmer PC, Mueller and Co., LLP, Rushton and Company, LLC, and Wegner CPAs. The five Crowe Horwath International firms in Germany are Crowe Horwath Frankfurt Intertax Treuhand, Dr. Kleeberg & Partner GmbH, MDS Moehrle GmbH, Trinavis GmbH & Co. KG, and RWT Horwath GmbH.

The US firms' affiliation is through CPAmerica International, an association of independently owned and managed CPA and consulting firms in the US. The German firms' affiliation is through Crowe Horwath International, of which CPAmerica is a member.

"Our collective time and efforts help all of the firms and their leadership develop and deepen technical and business development skills that can be brought back to their respective local markets to better serve our multinational clients as well as firms interested in expanding globally. We share their vision and understand the importance of international growth and providing financial and strategic advisory services to multinational firms," said Bryan R. Chandler, JamisonMoneyFarmer's Managing Shareholder.

The 2016 Summit is already scheduled to be in Hamburg, Germany.

About JamisonMoneyFarmer:

JamisonMoneyFarmer PC (JMF), Alabama's seventh largest CPA firm with three offices in Alabama, was founded in 1920 by the late Carl C. Jamison, one of the first Certified Public Accountants in the state. JMF was recently recognized as one of the Best Companies to Work for in Alabama and by the AICPA as one of the 500 largest firms out of 44,000 CPA firms in the United States. For more information about JMF, visit www.jmf.com. You can also find JMF on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/JamisonMoneyFarmer>) and Twitter (<http://twitter.com/JMFCPAs>).

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