

# News Release

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## Willis Expands Employee Benefits Practice In Minneapolis

### *Two Key Appointments of Client Advocates® Reinforce Industry Specialty in the Midwest Region*

**New York, NY, September 11, 2007** – Willis Group Holdings (NYSE: WSH), the global insurance broker, today announced the appointments of Jackie Lantry and Rick Storms to Vice President of the Employee Benefits Practice for Willis' operations in Minneapolis. In their new roles, Lantry and Storms, who each bring more than 22 years of experience in the industry, will both manage and expand the practice.

**Jackie Lantry**, a Client Advocate® for Willis, has a unique background that includes sales for PHP (now Medica) and Group Health Inc. (now Healthpartners), followed by several years of human resources experience in Minneapolis law firm, Dorsey & Whitney, and ING. Lantry specializes in health and welfare benefits strategy, design, and implementation. Most recently, she was a senior associate with a large brokerage firm in downtown Minneapolis.

**Rick Storms, CEBS**, is also a Client Advocate® for Willis. Storms worked for nearly 20 years at ING where he worked in a sales and management capacity on health and welfare plans, retirement plans, and international benefits. Most recently, Storms was a senior associate for Mercer in Minneapolis. He is also a frequent speaker at industry association meetings and is the immediate past president for the International Certified Employee Benefit Specialist (CEBS) program.

"We are excited that Rick and Jackie have joined our Minneapolis office," said **Alan Thomas**, Regional Partner, and President and Chief Executive Officer of Willis' office in Minnesota. "They bring extraordinary expertise in employee benefits to support our clients in the local market."

"Willis' Employee Benefits Practice is best of class in the industry and we are pleased to strengthen our team in the Midwest region," said **Andrew Mahoney**, Executive Vice President at Willis' operations in Minneapolis. "Jackie and Rick bring exceptional skills, experience and energy to their positions and we are delighted to welcome them to Willis."

Willis has employee benefit specialists in almost every office around the world. Many are specialists known for their expertise in the global market and recognized for the innovative role they play locally.

Willis' Client Advocate® model is the very core of Willis' industry leading service delivery platform. This firmwide assessment, training, and credentialing program for senior client-facing professionals ensures that clients' best interests are always served and that their service needs are fulfilled with consistent excellence.

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