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Association of Litigation Support Professionals Selects SmithBucklin for Full-Service Management

CHICAGO – Oct. 1, 2007 – SmithBucklin has been selected by Association of Litigation Support Professionals (ALSP) as its full-service management company. Recently incorporated, ALSP is dedicated to setting global standards for the litigation support profession through member collaboration, education and certification. ALSP has established its headquarters at SmithBucklin’s Chicago offices.

ALSP is the only litigation support association open to all sectors of the profession including litigation support managers and analysts, attorneys, paralegals, technical support staff, consultants, software developers and judiciary professionals. The association provides a collaborative forum to share information, analysis and future developments concerning this rapidly developing industry. Offering certification and continuing education to all members, ALSP is dedicated to the career development of practitioners around the world.

As its management partner, SmithBucklin will help ALSP establish education, networking and mentoring opportunities to drive value for members. ALSP recently launched its Web site, www.alsponline.org as a resource for members, and began its Charter Sponsor program.

“The litigation support field is growing at an exponential rate, and now is the time to shape the future of our profession,” ALSP President Windy Brown said. “The unparalleled expertise and depth of resources at SmithBucklin will help us to provide the value members need to thrive in our profession.”

SmithBucklin President and COO Julie Silverstein said, “It is an honor for our team to work with ALSP on the start-up of this ground-breaking association. We are excited to be able to contribute SmithBucklin’s industry-leading resources and knowledge to help grow the litigation support profession and advance the careers of ALSP members.”

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SmithBucklin is the world's largest association management and professional services company providing flexible, tailored full-service management and function/project-specific services to more than 235 trade associations, professional societies, technology user groups, government institutes/agencies and corporations. SmithBucklin's mission is to drive growth and build sustained competitiveness for client organizations. Founded in 1949, the company employs 750 professionals specializing in all phases of association activity including executive management, member and chapter administration, convention and trade show management, marketing and branding, Web services, education and programs, government relations and financial management. SmithBucklin manages more than \$250 million in annual client budgets from offices in Chicago, Washington, DC, St. Louis and Durham, NC. SmithBucklin is 100% employee owned. For more information, please visit www.smithbucklin.com or call 1.800.539.9740.

About ALSP

Association of Litigation Support Professionals (ALSP) is the only association whose members comprise the full range of individuals involved with litigation support: litigation support managers and analysts, attorneys, paralegals, technical support staff, consultants, software developers and judiciary professionals. With its mission to establish global standards for the litigation support profession through collaboration, education and certification, ALSP is dedicated to advancing the profession and contributing to the career development of practitioners around the world. For more information, visit www.alsponline.org or contact ALSP headquarters at info@alsponline.org, or call 1.800.430.6651 or 1.312.321.5168.