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## Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte Announces New Hire Branham

New Orleans (March 30, 2005) – Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte, L.L.P., one of the top-ten accounting firms in the city, recently announced a new hire. Mr. Brooks A. Branham has joined the Certified Public Accounting and Consulting Firm as a Staff Accountant in the Audit Department.

Mr. Branham will graduate from the University of New Orleans in May 2005, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and a Bachelor of Science in Management with a concentration in Management Information Systems. As an accountant with Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte, Mr. Branham's current responsibilities include audits and compilations.

Since its founding in 1960, Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte, LLP has continued to provide an unparalleled level of high quality service to the South Louisiana business community.

The firm's commitment to provide value-added services to our clients, together with its "not-just-the-numbers" approach is only part of its formula for success. The firm's broad menu of services including traditional audit and tax services, business valuation services; litigation support; technology consulting; personal financial and estate planning; and small business consulting. Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte can be found on the web at [www.ericksenkrentel.com](http://www.ericksenkrentel.com).

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