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ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS, INC. (ABC) APPOINTS RICHARD SHAVELL OF SHAVELL & CO. TO NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

BOCA RATON, FL - Richard R. Shavell, CPA, president of Shavell & Company, P.A., has been appointed to serve on the Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. (ABC) 2007 National Legislative Committee. Mr. Shavell's term of office begins January 2007 and runs through December 2007. The Legislative Committee is ABC's voice to ensure that ABC continues to be recognized as the premier resource for construction workplace issues before the federal, legislative, executive and judicial branches of government. These workplace issues consist of labor-management relations, union market recovery programs, and unnecessary federal government interference in the workplace. Participants on the Legislative Committee include business owners, human resource professionals, and other company officials who deal with workplace issues on a day-to-day basis. The committee meets at various times during the year to discuss new trends and issues in the industry, evaluate various legislative proposals, develop strategies for legislative initiatives and establish issue priorities. Committee members may be called upon to meet with members of Congress to educate them on ABC's concerns and the construction industry in general.

According to Dave Meyer, National Chairman of ABC, "Rich's comprehensive experience and extensive knowledge of the construction industry will be extremely valuable and effective for the committee's future efforts."

ABC is a national association representing 23,000 merit shop construction and construction related firms in 79 chapters across the United States. Mr. Shavell is a member of the South Florida Chapter ABC and has been a member since 1989. Shavell, of Boca Raton, FL, previously was a member of the National Tax Advisory Group from 1990-1996, and served as its chairman in 1997, 1998, and again in 2006 to the present. ABC's Tax Advisory Group leads government affairs in developing and promoting an agenda of federal tax items of specific concern to the construction industry.

Mr. Shavell represented ABC in front of the IRS on December 14, 2005 as part of a coalition of industry associations addressing a contractor tax code issue in the IRS's Industry Issue Resolution program. He established and coordinated the development of ABC's Tax Agenda. The Tax Agenda documents ABC's policies, positions, and proposed code changes for key tax issues affecting ABC members. In addition, Mr. Shavell has served on ABC's East Coast Chapter's Legislative Committee.

Over the years, Shavell has testified on behalf of ABC members before: the IRS on Proposed Regulations (1990), House Ways and Means Committee (1991 & 1995), Senate Finance Committee (1991), and the House Committee on Small Business (1998). He has given presentations at ABC's Legislative Conferences and Annual Conventions and has published several articles in ABC's monthly publication, ABC Today.

In addition, Shavell provided technical support to ABC's Government Affairs Department, interpreting proposed legislation, developing strategy, and assisting in meetings with legislators. He opened a dialogue between ABC and the IRS that continues today.

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