

## **Capital Investment Companies Expands Banking Program**

Select Bank and Trust will now offer full suite of financial services

**Raleigh, N.C. (August 24, 2009)** – Capital Investment Companies, one of the largest independent financial services and brokerage firms in the Southeast, announced its partnership with Select Bank and Trust. Headquartered in Greenville, N.C., Select Bank and Trust is a community bank serving Greenville, Pitt County and surrounding areas.

Select Bank and Trust will utilize Capital Investment Companies' bank securities program and offer various services including traditional brokerage, money management, investment banking, insurance and estate planning, trusts, no-load mutual fund management, retirement plans and mortgages. This program provides participating banks with resources, knowledge and tools to enhance customer relationships, increase revenue and expand marketing and brand awareness programs.

“Our partnership with Select Bank and Trust will allow their customers access a number of additional financial services,” said Richard K. Bryant, president of Capital Investment Companies. “Through our securities program, we can enhance and support Select Bank’s relationship with their customers by offering quality brokerage advice and counsel.”

Select Bank and Trust was founded in November 2003 by J. Donald Speight, William R. Stallings, V. Parker Overton and other business leaders throughout the community. At the end of 2008, Select Bank had assets of \$136 million and two offices located in Greenville, N.C.

“Having both banking and brokerage services at Select Bank allows us to offer customers the convenience of one-stop money management and it shows the commitment we have to our ‘Common Sense Approach to Banking’,” said Mark A. Holmes, President and CEO for Select Bank and Trust. “Capital Investment Companies is a solid partner with a proven track record. This year Capital is celebrating 25 years of providing superior brokerage services to many financial institutions and we are thrilled to be partnering with them.”

Sherry Wolfe represents Capital Investment Companies in the Select Bank offices in Greenville, NC. Wolfe has worked in Greenville for 17 years in the securities business and the past 7 years with Capital Investment Companies covering eastern North Carolina. Wolfe has her series 7, 63, Life & Health and Long Term Care licenses.

Catherine Manuel is the Director of Capital Bank Partners and created the partnership with Select Bank. Community banks interested in partnering with Capital Investment Companies should contact Catherine at [cmanuel@capital-invest.com](mailto:cmanuel@capital-invest.com).

Capital Investment Companies has partnered with Cornerstone Bank headquartered in Wilson, N.C., Capital Bank headquartered in Raleigh, N.C., Lumbee Guaranty headquartered in Pembroke, N.C., Crescent State Bank headquartered in Cary, N.C., North State Bank headquartered in Raleigh, N.C., Waccamaw Bank headquartered in

Whiteville, N.C., First Federal Savings Bank of Dunn, N.C., Cornerstone Bank located in Easley, SC, BankSouth headquartered in Greensboro, Ga. and CommunitySouth Bank headquartered in Easley, S.C. Capital Investment Companies continues to work with community banks in the Southeast in order to bridge the gap between banking and investments.

**About Capital Investment Companies** Capital Investment Companies is primarily comprised of Capital Investment Brokerage, Inc. and Capital Investment Group, Inc., (two FINRA /SIPC Members) and Capital Investment Counsel, Inc. (an SEC registered Investment Advisor). Headquartered in Raleigh, N.C. for more than 25 years, Capital Investment Companies ([www.cico.us](http://www.cico.us)) is one of the largest independent financial services firms in the Southeastern United States. With their affiliates and strategic partners, the firm offers a wide variety of financial services to individuals, institutions, and the CPA and banking community including: traditional investment brokerage, money management, investment banking, trust services, mortgage services, estate planning, insurance services, retirement plans, and a community foundation.

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