

Capital Investment Companies Qualifications Continue to Grow

Brokers Strive to Accrue Continuing Education Certifications

RALEIGH, N.C. (April 15, 2009) – Capital Investment Companies, one of the largest independent financial services and brokerage firms in the Southeast, is proud to announce that a number of their financial advisors have recently achieved new series licenses and professional designations.

“Our representatives are among the best and brightest in the industry and I am not surprised that they continue to strive for excellence in terms of the qualifications with which they support our clients,” said Richard K. Bryant, co-founder and president of Capital Investment Companies.

The following representatives now have these additional professional designations and series licenses to their credit:

- Con McDonald
 - Certified Financial Planner
 - In addition to his Series 7, 27 and 63 licenses

- Phillip Frye
 - S7 General Securities Representative
 - S65 Investment Adviser Representative
 - In addition to his Series 6 and 63 licenses

- Tom James
 - S6 Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Limited Representative
 - S63 Uniform Securities Agent State Law Exam
 - S22 Direct Participation Programs Representative
 - In addition to his Series 65 license

- Ronald King
 - S4 Registered Options Principal
 - S53 Municipal Securities Principal
 - In addition to his Series 7, 9, 10, 24 and 66 licenses

- Skip Watkins
 - S66 Investment Adviser Representative/Uniform Securities Agent State Law Exam
 - In addition to his Series 6, 7 and 26 licenses

Capital Investment Companies is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year and employs over 150 representatives and financial advisors across the southeastern United States. Independent representatives at Capital Investment Companies enjoy a range of benefits including simplifying their own operations, competitive payouts and extensive support of

the parent organization. For more information on joining the Capital team, contact Don Deans at (704) 575-7937 or by e-mailing ddeans@capital-invest.com.

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) 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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