



PRIVATE BANK *of Buckhead*

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Renee Hinkson

Hinkson promoted, will serve as Controller

Atlanta, September 29, 2010 – Private Bank of Buckhead (PBB) continues its growth and expansion with the promotion of Renee Hinkson to Controller. She also serves as the bank's Information Security Officer. The native of Fayetteville, NC, joined the bank during its start-up phase and previously served as Accounting Manager and Banking Officer.

“Ultimately, what has continued to set us apart,” says Terry Freeman, chief operating officer and CFO of the bank, “is first-class banking and financial services delivered by highly experienced professionals like Renee. She helps build the strong risk management foundation of the bank, and that benefits our clients and shareholders day in and day out.”

Hinkson has been in banking for 11 years, holding various positions within Financial Accounting. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Methodist College and an MBA in Accounting from Keller Graduate School of Management. Both of Hinkson's parents are from Belize and she proudly identifies as Belizean. She enjoys traveling, reading and spending time with her family, who live in East Atlanta.

Freeman also notes that the bank recently promoted Susan Ahern to Senior Vice President of Operations; she previously served as Vice President of Operations. Like Hinkson, Ahern joined the bank during its start-up phase.

Private Bank of Buckhead (www.PrivateBankofBuckhead.com) brings a private banking approach to all clients across all functions of the bank. The bank also is designated a Preferred Lender by the U.S. Small Business Administration. It is located in Piedmont Center (Building Three).

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